UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS CORPUS CHRISTI DIVISION

MARIA LUISA GARZA, INDIVIDUALLY	§	
AND	§	
OSCAR GARZA, SR., INDIVIDUALLY	§	
	§	CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:12cv00198
VS.	§	
	§	JURY REQUESTED
WYETH, LLC f/k/a WYETH d/b/a	§	
WYETH INC., ET AL.	§	

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MARY JACKSON, ET AL.,) CASE NO: 2:12-CV-196 CIVIL Plaintiffs, vs. Corpus Christi, Texas WYETH, LLC, ET AL.,) Friday, December 21, 2012 Defendants.) (9:03 a.m. to 9:35 a.m.) MARIA LUISA GARZA, ET AL.,) Plaintiffs, CASE NO: 2:12-CV-198 vs. WYETH, LLC, ET AL., Defendants.

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1	Corpus Christi, Texas; Friday, December 21, 2012; 9:03 a.m.
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3	THE COURT: Court calls Cause Number C-12-196,
4	Jackson, et al. versus Wyeth, et al.
5	MR. BRZEZINSKI: Good morning, your Honor.
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7	MR. BRZEZINSKI: Robert Brzezinski and Tom Rhodes for
8	the plaintiff.
9	THE COURT: Good morning.
10	MR. WALSH: Judge, Mike Walsh for Defendant TEVA
11	Pharmaceuticals.
12	MR. MCNEAL: Your Honor, Quincy McNeal for Defendant,
13	Schwarz Pharma.
14	MR. LITTRELL: Your Honor, I'm Rex Littrell for the
15	PLIVA, Barr, and Watson defendants, but I am actually not in
16	Jackson; we're in Garza.
17	THE COURT: Right. Okay. And I was going to try to
18	clean that up in a minute.
19	MR. KLATT: Your Honor, Mike Klatt for Pfizer and
20	Wyeth in both the Jackson and the Garza cases.
21	MR. RANGEL: Your Honor, Jorge Rangel for Defendant
22	Generics Bidco in Jackson. We are not in Garza.
23	THE COURT: You're okay. Let me go ahead and call
24	the other case, too, and let's flesh out the parties and then
25	we can proceed. So, then, C-12-198 is Garza, et al. versus

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              MR. BRZEZINSKI: That's correct, your Honor.
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              THE COURT: And I think those were Watson, Barr --
              MR. LITTRELL: Yes, your Honor.
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              THE COURT: -- PLIVA, and Qualitest, which is really
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    you, Mr. Rangel, as Bid -- Bidco, right?
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              MR. RANGEL: Yes, your Honor.
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              THE COURT: So, you all are not in the Jackson case.
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              MR. LITTRELL: Correct.
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              THE COURT: And they're going to remain in the Garza
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              MR. BRZEZINSKI: That's correct, your Honor.
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              MR. BRZEZINSKI: That would be fine with us, your
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              MR. WALSH: And, your Honor, if I might add,
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    Mr. Littrell is -- will be arguing the pre-emption issues. The
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    issues are the same in both cases, so, because he's probably
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    the most knowledgeable person --
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1 THE COURT: Okay. You can proceed. 2 MR. LITTRELL: Thank you, your Honor. What the plaintiffs -- the issue before us this 3 4 morning is federal pre-emption, obviously, and the impact of 5 the United States Supreme Court in Mensing versus PLIVA. 6 Generally, what both plaintiffs have alleged in their complaints is that they were injured as a result of the 7 8 ingestion of the medication metoclopramide, brand name Reglan; 9 the generic form is known as metoclopramide. They've sued both 10 the manufacturers of the brand name drug and then, of course, 11 the generics, and they assert a number of causes of action for 12 negligence, strict liability, breach of implied warranties, 13 misrepresentation, suppression of evidence and fraud, and then 14 deceptive trade practices. 15 As the generic defendants have set forth in their 16 briefs, we believe all of those claims are pre-empted by federal pre-emption under the Supreme Court's decision in 17 Mensing. That case involved the same drugs, it involved the 18 19 same alleged injury, it involved most of the same parties, and 20 even some of the counsel are the same in both cases. And it is a decision that since its come out has been applied by courts 21 22 throughout the country to dismiss state law tort claims against generic drugs manufacturers. The second ground for the 23 24 generics' motion is that we believe the claims are also barred

under Section 82.007 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies

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Code. And I'll address both of those briefly.

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2 Mensing we believe is the controlling decision regarding personal injury cases against generic drug 3 4 manufacturers. In Mensing the Supreme Court considered whether 5 state law tort claims against generic manufacturers are preempted by federal law. They considered that issue at the 6 motion to dismiss stage, and it found that the lawsuits had to 7 be dismissed because federal pre-emption did apply, and it 8 9 dismissed -- or ordered the lower courts to dismiss the 10 lawsuits in their entirety. Those complaints in Mensing, which 11 actually were two cases, Mensing and another case called 12 Dimensi [sic] out of the -- Demahy out of the Fifth Circuit --13 both also alleged the same claims that we see here, the same 14 wide range of state tort law claims.

And, again, what the Supreme Court really found was that in the pharmaceutical context that all claims against drug manufacturers really boil down to failure-to-warn claims. That underlying analysis in Mensing is consistent with what Texas courts have held under Texas state law. They have also held that all claims, no matter how articulated, in a pharmaceutical case really boil down to failure-to-warn claims; should the labeling have provided some additional or different warning than what it provided.

And while the *Mensing* decision was hotly disputed amongst the justices -- it was a 5-4 decision -- the one thing

that all the justices agreed about was its broad impact. 1 2 majority said that they recognized the unfortunate hand that they were dealing to people who took generic drugs, but they 3 4 felt they were forced to do so by the federal regulatory 5 The dissenters also agreed in the dissent that the 6 impact of the decision was to stop litigation against generic drug manufacturers, which, of course, they didn't want to 7 8 That's why they were in the dissent.

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This decision has been applied by a number of judges here in the Southern District of Texas. We have provided your Honor with the Del Valle decisions, which were both the magistrate judge and the district judge decision; the Farris (phonetic) decision, and the Eckhardt decision. All discuss Mensing, and a couple of those also discuss Section 82.007. The claims also were recently revisited by the Fifth Circuit in the Demahy case. The case went back down after Mensing was dismissed by the district court. The plaintiff disputed that dismissal, said that all claims should not have been dismissed. That went back to the Fifth Circuit. The Fifth Circuit again found that all claims had to be dismissed. That decision is consistent with other circuit court decisions, federal circuit courts, by the Sixth Circuit, the Eighth Circuit, and the Ninth Circuit, and then all of the numerous other decisions that we cited for your Honor is in the briefs.

So, looking at it in terms of this case and this

particular complaint, which I can tell your Honor is very 1 2 similar to the Mensing complaint in terms of its allegations, the core of the plaintiffs' complaint is very clearly set 3 4 forth. They say this case involves the drug companies 5 defendants' failure to warn doctors of -- and patients of 6 information within their knowledge or possession regarding Reglan. They also say that their injuries came about as a 7 foreseeable and proximate result of the drug company 8 9 defendants' dissemination of inaccurate, misleading, material 10 incomplete and false information. And, then, finally they say 11 that the generic defendants failed to use reasonable care to 12 modify the package inserts for the drugs. Those are exactly 13 the claims that were at issue in Mensing and that is why the 14 case is directly applicable. 15 As Judge Morgan said in Del Valle, this kitchen sink 16 approach does not obscure the fact that all of these claims are based upon the purported failure of the generic drug defendants 17 to warn of the dangerous of the long-term use of the drug. 18 That's the same claims here. As I indicated, that's consistent 19 20 with Texas law, which finds that all claims in the pharmaceutical context were failure-to-warn claims; that was 21 22 most recently confirmed by the Texas Supreme Court in Centocor, Inc. versus Hamilton. That was a case dealing with the learned 23 intermediary doctrine, but again the Texas court -- Supreme 24 25 Court made clear that all of these claims are failure-to-warn

claims, and also the *Farris* decision and the *Eckhardt* decision also, again, made clear that that's the case under Texas law.

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So, in short, Texas defines all of these claims as failure-to-warn claims, and *Mensing* says that all failure-to-warn claims against generic drug defendants are pre-empted by federal law, and that's why it applies here.

So, what we've seen in the briefing is some attempt by plaintiffs to plead around Mensing or to attempt to assert arguments around Mensing. And they've raised some theories that aren't in their Complaint but they've tried to raise in their briefing. There is a claim that the generic defendants failed to communicate information to doctors. It's clearly a failure-to-warn claim, but it's just put a different way. It's also completely inconsistent with their allegations that are actually in their complaint. This argument is that we didn't provide any information, they say in their briefs, to the doctors. And yet their complaint says that the doctors prescribed the brand name drug, Reglan, that the defendants provided information to doctors about Reglan, metoclopramide, and that that information was somehow false or misleading or otherwise inaccurate. So, the whole failure-to-communicate theory is completely inconsistent with the allegations in their complaint, and for that reason the Court in Eckhardt dismissed the theory finding that it's inconsistent with the complaint.

In the Del Valle case here out of the Southern

District, that theory was also discussed from a different point 1 2 of view. And the judge there said that really that claim remains a failure-to-warn claim because all communications with 3 4 doctors really are labeling. I know that's an issue your Honor 5 recently addressed in a different context, not involving a 6 generic drug manufacturer, but it was -- it was one of the 7 bases for the high quoting in Del Valle. And, so, what we've provided to your Honor are a number of other court decisions 8 9 that also discuss and reject that failure-to- communicate 10 theory. 11 We also have asserted -- the plaintiffs have asserted 12 in their briefs what's sometimes referred to as a "failure-to-13 update theory, " the idea that certain generic manufacturers did 14 not update their label when changes were made to the brand name drug, Reglan. 15 16 THE COURT: And I think that's probably where most of 17 my questions are. MR. LITTRELL: Okay. And that -- and that's fine. 18 THE COURT: I mean, not that I have questions right 19 20 now, but that's probably --21 MR. LITTRELL: And that makes sense, your Honor. 22 What's interesting about it is, first of all, it's not in the 23 plaintiffs' complaint. That's, again, an issue that we see. 24 It's not an allegation raised in their complaint, in their 25 amended complaints, including the amended complaint that was

recently filed.

THE COURT: Well, let's assume that it's going to be.

MR. LITTRELL: Okay. Let's assume that. Then the issue becomes: Who are they alleging it against? In their brief they are asserting it only against PLIVA, one of the defendants, not against the other generic drug manufacturers. It's interesting; obviously, TEVA has been dismissed from the Jackson case because there was no product ID. Actually, I don't believe there is any product ID for PLIVA either in the Garza case, but that's an issue that can be dealt with in a different context, but the argument is raised against PLIVA.

So, what did the Supreme Court do with this failureto-update claim? We know that the Supreme Court deals with

federal pre-emption issues all the time. They deal with them

in all kinds of contexts; drug cases, medical device cases,

cigarette cases, labor cases. And we also know that the

Supreme Court always goes out of its way to try to defer the

state law where it can. In Mensing, this failure-to-update

issue was brought to the attention of the Supreme Court prior

to oral arguments when it was discovered that the labels didn't

match. And yet neither the majority nor the dissent

articulated any sort of exception to federal pre-emption based

upon this failure-to-update theory. And that's particularly

interesting with respect to the dissent, because the dissenters

were clearly highly incentivized to try to find exceptions to

the broad impact of Mensing. In fact, in one point of the dissent they went out of their way to talk about a different form of generic drugs where a brand manufacturer sets up a company that also makes a generic form of the drug. And the dissenters said: That's not covered by this opinion. So, they were looking for exceptions. I'm not saying the dissent was correct about that distinction, but it demonstrates that they were looking for examples of potential exceptions to the broad impact.

THE COURT: So, it wasn't addressed either way.

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MR. LITTRELL: That's correct. And the question becomes: Why didn't they address it? And I think that there is a -- there is a reason for that. I believe that all of the justices on the Supreme Court recognize that this failure-to-update issue is not an issue of state law; it's an issue of federal law. There is no requirement in Texas state law or any other state law that says that a generic drug's package insert has to match a brand name drug's package insert. That obligation arises solely from the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, the FDCA, a federal act. But the FDCA expressly provides that you cannot have private rights of actions for violations of the FDCA. And, in fact, the Supreme Court in the Buckman decision that we cited for your Honor specifically held that. They said that the FDCA is clear that only the federal government can bring a cause of action for alleged violations of the FDCA.

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And, so, I believe that the reason the Supreme Court didn't deal with this issue is they don't think it impacts federal pre-emption. They recognize that it is an issue of federal law for which a private litigant cannot bring a cause of action.

Many other courts have acknowledged that -- that issue with regard to failure to update, and they have also focused on another issue that arises in the context of these complaints. The plaintiffs allege in both of their complaints that the brand name and generic metoclopramide labeling remained inadequate through 2009. They say that due to the inadequate nature of the drugs, the FDA in 2009 took action to insert a black box. So, if you try to apply this failure-toupdate theory to PLIVA post-2004, which is what the theory is in their briefs, the plaintiffs are really telling your Honor that under Texas law PLIVA had a duty to provide an inadequate warning, what they say is an inadequate warning, to users -- to doctors and users of the drugs. There is no such claim in There is no such claim in any state law. And, in fact, a number of courts have dismissed the failure-to-update theory on that ground, that you can't say the label was inadequate even after 2004 and at the same time claim that a drug company had a duty to provide that inadequate warning to doctors.

So, the theory has been rejected. It was, by the way, as we set forth in the briefs, it was presented to both

the Sixth Circuit and the Eighth Circuit after Mensing. 1 fact, the Sixth Circuit had a trio of cases all under the 2 umbrella name of Smith versus Wyeth that were before the Sixth 3 Circuit when Mensing was decided, and before it issued its 4 5 decision the Sixth Circuit said: We want briefing on this 6 issue; tell us that there are claims that survived Mensing. The parties then submitted briefs. They articulated -- the 7 8 plaintiffs articulated this argument and the Sixth Circuit 9 issued a decision still dismissing them. The plaintiffs then 10 filed a petition for rehearing and a rehearing en banc where 11 again they argued this issue and basically told the Sixth 12 Circuit: We think you missed this issue. And the Sixth 13 Circuit for a second time issued an order saying: Every judge 14 on the panel has looked at your brief and we agree that the 15 petition should be denied. That's the Sixth Circuit. 16 The Fifth Circuit it's also been raised in post-Mensing briefing in Demahy that the Fifth Circuit did not 17 accept that argument, and neither did -- I'm sorry. I take 18 19 that back, your Honor. That was the Eighth Circuit where it 20 was raised, not the Fifth Circuit. The Demahy case didn't have that allegation when it went back down to the Fifth Circuit. 21 But it has been addressed in a number of courts here in Texas 22 and in other district courts in the Fifth Circuit's area. 23 24 we believe that theory is also gone and that all of the claims

again eventually remain failure-to-warn claims.

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The claims also then, the defendants contend, are 1 barred by 82.007. That is a issue that was brought up by the 2 Courts in Del Valle and Farris. That statute provides that you 3 4 can't have claims, pharmaceutical claims, against drugs in the 5 pharmaceutical context. There are exceptions. The Fifth 6 Circuit has addressed the exception that the plaintiffs allege in their complaints here, which is basically a fraud on the FDA 7 claim. The plaintiffs in their complaints expressly state that 8 9 82.007 should not be applied because the defendants made 10 misrepresentations to the FDA. The Fifth Circuit found in the 11 Lofton versus McNeil Consumer and Specialty Pharma case that 12 came out this year that that fraud on the FDA exception is pre-13 empted by federal law, that to proceed on that, that exception 14 to 82.007, you would have to show that the FDA actually found that the defendant had committed fraud. There is no 15 16 allegation, in fact, of that here; and, in fact, I could tell you that's never happened against any of these manufacturers 17 18 for metoclopramide. And this litigation has been going on a 19 long time. I know there is a request for discovery on that. 20 think it's really just an attempt to kick the ball down the 21 field a little longer to try to drag things out, but there is 22 no such issue in this case. 23 So, unless your Honor has other questions about that or any of the other claims, that really is the defendants' 24 25 position in a nutshell.

18 1 THE COURT: All right. Thank you. 2 MR. LITTRELL: Thank you. 3 MR. BRZEZINSKI: May I proceed, your Honor? 4 THE COURT: Yes. 5 MR. BRZEZINSKI: Robert Brzezinski for the 6 plaintiffs, your Honor. 7 Judge, there are courts out there, including courts in the Fifth Circuit, that have declined to follow in lockstep 8 9 with the reasoning used in the opinions that Mr. Littrell 10 cites. As far as one of the cases relied upon most heavily by 11 the defendants in their motions and their reply to our 12 response, namely, the Demahy case, we don't spend a lot of time 13 addressing Demahy, Judge, in our response, for one thing, 14 because page one of the Court's opinion in that case expressly states that it's unpublished and it's not precedent. We agree 15 16 that Demahy follows suit with the other courts who have ruled that the plaintiffs' claims against generic manufacturers were 17 18 pre-empted. However, even the Demahy court mentions that the 19 rulings of pre-emption have not been unanimous in favor of the 20 generic manufacturers. 21 And the Demahy court, in fact, cites to a case called 22 Cooper versus Wyeth as an exception to the decisions finding in 23 favor of the generic manufacturers in a broad sense. 24 Cooper court judge -- that was the district court in Louisiana, 25 Fifth Circuit district court -- that court held that the

plaintiff's claims that the generic manufacturers failed to
label their products with the FDA labels that were required of
the brand name manufacturers at that time would violate federal
law and likely state law as well. I think Mr. Littrell
characterized it as a failure-to-update claim. That's really
the crux of the Cooper opinion.

In that situation, the Cooper court reasoned that the requirements of state law would co-extend with but would not exceed the requirements of federal law, rendering impossibility of pre-emption inapplicable. And the Court further stated that nothing in the Mensing decision forbids that result and then referenced two other decisions, one from the Western District of North Carolina, which is Cook versus Wyeth, and one from South Carolina, Fisher versus Pelstring, both of which have held that Mensing's impossibility analysis for pre-emption was inapplicable to claims that generic manufacturers failed to update their labels, and that's the Reglan label, mandated by the FDA. And, thus, the Cooper court ruled, Judge, that the claim by the plaintiffs was not pre-empted in that sense and that the generic motion -- generic defendants' motion to dismiss on that ground was denied.

And, Judge, I disagree that we haven't pled this.

We've alleged in our pleadings in both of these cases that the defendants disseminated inaccurate, misleading, materially incomplete and/or inadequate information. And we give as a

specific example the 2009 box warning mandated by the FDA. we plead further that the plaintiff was not made aware or given the benefit of these enhanced warnings. And we'd submit that, as with Cooper and the other cases holding similarly, the Mensing pre-emption ruling is inapplicable to the claim by the plaintiffs in the Jackson case and the Garza case regarding the failure to update the defendants' labels in accordance with FDA mandates. And, therefore, their claims in that respect are not pre-empted.

To the extent that the Court feels that these claims are insufficiently pled, we would ask the Court under Stover versus Hattiesburg Public School, which is 549 F.3d 985, to find that the plaintiffs' argument in that respect be considered a motion to amend under Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 15(a) and to allow us to go plead the claims more specifically.

The -- as far as the rest of the points raised by

Counsel, the other claims asserted by the plaintiff against the

generic defendants, in other words, the claims against the

generic manufacturers other than those for failing to update

their labels, Judge, I'm going to be totally candid with you

and say that unless you want to take the novel approach of

ruling in contravention of many of the decisions issued since

Mensing, defense counsel is probably correct on the pre-emption

in that sense. But that still leaves the issue of the failure

1 of these generic manufacturers to update their labels, and I'd 2 urge you under Cooper and the logic used in Cook and Fisher to find that the claims of Mrs. Garza and Mrs. Jackson are not 3 pre-empted in respect to the failure to update, and to deny 4 5 these defendants' motions to dismiss on that point. 6 THE COURT: All right. Thank you. 7 MR. BRZEZINSKI: Thank you, Judge. THE COURT: Anything further? 8 9 MR. LITTRELL: No, your Honor. 10 **THE COURT:** I'm not going to rule today because I 11 want to look at the issue a little further, but if, in fact, 12 their pleading is not sufficient, I'm going to allow them to 13 amend, so -- okay. Nothing further on that. I don't know if you all want to wait to address a 14 trial until after there is a decision on this or if you want to 15 go ahead and at least get a trial date. 16 17 MR. BRZEZINSKI: Judge, we'd prefer to get a trial date. 18 THE COURT: Probably better. 19 MR. LITTRELL: Your Honor, I think it would be the 20 21 generic's position that we would prefer to wait until after 22 your Honor ruled and then we'd know what claims were left and know -- have a better idea of what time period we need to 23 24 address any claims that might remain. But at the same time, we

can deal with a schedule if that's how your Honor would like to

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              THE COURT: Okay.
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              THE COURT: Right.
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    motion to dismiss, but what -- what does govern us is the line
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    of cases generally called the "Foster" cases, which basically
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say that if your product wasn't involved in the case, then you get out. Ten Texas courts, including three federal courts in the Southern District, have granted summary judgment within the last five months on that.

One of those cases, the Del Valle case, is now on appeal in the Fifth Circuit, which insofar as the brand manufacturers are concerned Del Valle will be -- whatever the Fifth Circuit does there will be dispositive as to the brand manufacturers. We expect the Fifth Circuit, if they follow their normal course, to rule probably this coming summer on Del Valle. The appellants have submitted their brief. defendants submit their brief the first week in January. argument will follow, and then the Fifth Circuit, presumably, will render their decision. And whatever the Fifth Circuit decides, if -- if they affirm the summary judgments from the other judges in the Southern District, then, obviously, we would just file the same motion tracking that decision. If they deny it, then the case at that point would be appropriate to proceed against us, but what we would request is that we hold off until we see exactly what the Court does so we -neither side has to engage in any briefing when we really don't know what the Fifth Circuit is going to do.

THE COURT: Right. Mr. Brzezinski or Mr. Rhodes?

MR. RHODES: Your Honor, with respect to the scheduling issue, I think a year is plenty of time to get this

case ready, and I would respectfully suggest that we shouldn't 1 be put on hold until the Fifth Circuit comes out. If the Fifth 2 Circuit goes the way they want it to go, then, you know, all 3 4 they've done is do a little extra work and then they -- they walk away from it. If the Fifth Circuit doesn't go that way, I 5 6 don't want to have wasted six months on waiting on some opinion to come out. So, I think that if we -- if we engage in 7 meaningful discovery, we can -- we can get this case ready by 8 9 November or December of next year fairly easily. 10 THE COURT: And, really, you all aren't that far --11 March of '14 to the summer of, you know, '13 is not that far 12 apart. 13 I think the whole point, your Honor, is we don't want to have to walk away from work that we didn't 14 15 need to do. The case was in --16 THE COURT: Um -- yeah. 17 MR. KLATT: The case was in state court for a year and the plaintiffs took no action whatsoever. So, what we'd 18 19 simply ask is that -- you know, we'll proceed -- we'll be ready 20 to proceed as soon as the Fifth Circuit rules one way or the 21 other. THE COURT: I'm not inclined to wait on that. 22 23 MR. KLATT: And if the Court would rather, we can 24 file a formal motion to stay laying out in more detail our

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arguments.

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              THE COURT: You can do that if you'd like. I just --
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    I think we need to go ahead and just set a trial date on this.
              MR. RHODES: Well, Judge, you know, we could split
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    the difference and do it, like, in January.
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                         I know. We can see what we have.
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              THE CLERK: January 13th, 2014.
              MR. RHODES: That works for us.
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              MR. BRZEZINSKI: Fine with us. If the world is still
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              MR. LITTRELL: I think we're safe on that regard. I
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              MR. LITTRELL: Yes.
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              THE COURT: -- in the Mayan calendar?
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    we'll see where we are. And, you know, I probably -- it will
    probably be into mid to late January before I have a ruling on
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    your motion to dismiss; hopefully, mid January.
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              MR. KLATT: Your Honor, would you -- would you like
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    summary judgment that tracks the issues that are pending in
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              THE COURT: You can probably wait on it, because
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    that's probably what I'm going to do, refile it, so --
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              MR. KLATT: Okay. In other -- I'm sorry, your Honor.
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              THE COURT: Yeah; you --
              MR. KLATT: Okay. We'll --
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              THE COURT: No, you don't have to file it right now.
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              MR. KLATT: Okay.
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              THE COURT: That way it doesn't start my time period
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    running on my motions pending.
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              So, anything else to address this morning?
              MR. LITTRELL: Your Honor, are you considering trying
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    the cases together, or would you like to have staggered trial
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    dates for the two cases?
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              THE COURT: You all were recommending staggered trial
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    dates.
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              MR. LITTRELL: Yes.
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              THE COURT: Anything from the plaintiffs on that?
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              MR. BRZEZINSKI: Judge, I think the issues are so
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    similar that they ought to be tried together.
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              MR. RHODES: The only --
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              THE COURT:
                          Is there a reason not to try them
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MR. SPEAKER: Thanks, Judge.
(This proceeding was adjourned at 9:35 a.m.)
CERTIFICATION
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I certify that the foregoing is a correct transcript from the
electronic sound recording of the proceedings in the above-
entitled matter.
Jani Hudson
January 7, 2013
Signed Dated
TONI HUDSON, TRANSCRIBER

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

Food and Drug Administration Rockville, MD 20857

NDA 17-854/S-040

Schwartz Pharma, Inc. Attention: Donna K. Multhauf, Director Regulatory Affairs and Quality Assurance 6140 W. Executive Drive Mequon, WI 53092

Dear Ms. Multhauf:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated August 25, 2000, received August 28, 2000, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Reglan[®] (metoclopromide, USP) Tablets, 5 mg and 10 mg.

Your submission of October 22, 2002, constituted a complete response to our February 28, 2001, action letter.

This supplemental new drug application provides for the addition of a **Geriatric Use** subsection to the **PRECAUTIONS** section of the package insert and deletes information relating to Reglan[®] Syrup and Reglan[®] Injectable products.

We completed our review of this supplemental new drug application, as amended. It is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the final printed labeling (FPL) submitted on October 22, 2002.

If you issue a letter communicating important information about this drug product (i.e., a "Dear Health Care Professional" letter), we request that you submit a copy of the letter to this NDA and a copy to the following address:

MEDWATCH, HF-2 FDA 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved NDA set forth under 21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81.

If you have any questions, call Susan Daugherty, Consumer Safety Officer, at (301) 827-7475.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

Robert L. Justice, M.D., M.S.
Director
Division of Gastrointestinal and
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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NDA 17-854/S-047

CBE-0 SUPPLEMENT

Schwartz Pharma, Inc. Attention: Donna K. Multhauf, Director Regulatory Affairs and Quality Assurance 6140 W. Executive Drive Mequon, WI 53092

Dear Ms. Multhauf:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated February 24, 2004, received February 24, 2004, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Reglan® (metoclopromide, USP) Tablets, 5 mg and 10 mg.

This "Changes Being Effected" supplemental new drug application provides for revisions to the **PRECAUTIONS**, **INDICATIONS AND USAGE**, and **DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION** sections of the package insert.

We completed our review of this application and it is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the agreed-upon labeling text.

The final printed labeling (FPL) must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert).

Please submit the FPL electronically according to the guidance for industry titled Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format – NDA. Alternatively, you may submit 20 paper copies of the FPL as soon as it is available, in no case more than 30 days after it is printed. Please individually mount 15 of the copies on heavy-weight paper or similar material. For administrative purposes, this submission should be designated "FPL for approved supplement NDA 17-854/S-047." Approval of this submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

If you issue a letter communicating important information about this drug product (i.e., a "Dear Health Care Professional" letter), we request that you submit a copy of the letter to this NDA and a copy to the following address:

MEDWATCH, HFD-410 FDA 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

Please submit one market package of the drug product when it is available.

We remind you that you must comply with reporting requirements for an approved NDA (21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81).

If you have any questions, call Susan Daugherty, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 827-7456.

Sincerely,

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Robert L. Justice, M.D., M.S. Director Division of Gastrointestinal and Coagulation Drug Products Office of Drug Evaluation III Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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reglan® tablets

(metoclopramide tablets, USP) PC4445D Rev. 02/04 Rx only

DESCRIPTION

For oral administration, reglan[®] tablets (metoclopramide tablets, USP) 10 mg are white, scored, capsule-shaped tablets engraved REGLAN on one side and SP 10 on the opposite side.

Each tablet contains: Metoclopramide base	10 mg
(as the monohydrochloride monohydrate)	
Inactive Ingredients	
Magnesium Stearate, Mannitol, Microcrystalline Cellulose, Stearic Acid.	

reglan® tablets (metoclopramide tablets, USP) 5 mg are green, elliptical-shaped tablets engraved REGLAN 5 on one side and SP on the opposite side.

Inactive Ingredients

Corn starch, D&C Yellow 10 Aluminum Lake, FD&C Blue 1 Aluminum Lake, Lactose, Microcrystalline Cellulose, Silicon Dioxide, Stearic Acid.

Metoclopramide hydrochloride is a white crystalline, odorless substance, freely soluble in water. Chemically, it is 4-amino-5chloro-N-[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]-2-methoxy benzamide monohydrochloride monohydrate. Its molecular formula is $C_{14}H_{22}CIN_3O_2 \cdot HCl \cdot H_2O$. Its molecular weight is 354.3.

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CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

Metoclopramide stimulates motility of the upper gastrointestinal tract without stimulating gastric, biliary, or pancreatic secretions. Its mode of action is unclear. It seems to sensitize tissues to the action of acetylcholine. The effect of metoclopramide on motility is not dependent on intact vagal innervation, but it can be abolished by anticholinergic drugs.

Metoclopramide increases the tone and amplitude of gastric (especially antral) contractions, relaxes the pyloric sphincter and the duodenal bulb, and increases peristalsis of the duodenum and jejunum resulting in accelerated gastric emptying and intestinal transit. It increases the resting tone of the lower esophageal sphincter. It has little, if any, effect on the motility of the colon or gallbladder.

In patients with gastroesophageal reflux and low LESP (lower esophageal sphincter pressure), single oral doses of metoclopramide produce dose-related increases in LESP. Effects begin at about 5 mg and increase through 20 mg (the largest dose tested). The increase in LESP from a 5 mg dose lasts about 45 minutes and that of 20 mg lasts between 2 and 3 hours. Increased rate of stomach emptying has been observed with single oral doses of 10 mg.

The antiemetic properties of metoclopramide appear to be a result of its antagonism of central and peripheral dopamine receptors. Dopamine produces nausea and vomiting by stimulation of the medullary chemoreceptor trigger zone (CTZ), and metoclopramide blocks stimulation of the CTZ by agents like l-dopa or apomorphine which are known to increase dopamine levels or to possess dopamine-like effects. Metoclopramide also abolishes the slowing of gastric emptying caused by apomorphine.

Like the phenothiazines and related drugs, which are also dopamine antagonists, metoclopramide produces sedation and may produce extrapyramidal reactions, although these are comparatively rare (see **WARNINGS**). Metoclopramide inhibits the central and peripheral effects of apomorphine, induces release of prolactin and causes a transient increase in circulating aldosterone levels, which may be associated with transient fluid retention.

The onset of pharmacological action of metoclopramide is 1 to 3 minutes following an intravenous dose, 10 to 15 minutes following intramuscular administration, and 30 to 60 minutes following an oral dose; pharmacological effects persist for 1 to 2 hours.

Pharmacokinetics

Metoclopramide is rapidly and well absorbed. Relative to an intravenous dose of 20 mg, the absolute oral bioavailability of metoclopramide is $80\% \pm 15.5\%$ as demonstrated in a crossover study of 18 subjects. Peak plasma concentrations occur at about 1 to 2 hr after a single oral dose. Similar time to peak is observed after individual doses at steady state.

In a single dose study of 12 subjects, the area under the drug concentration-time curve increases linearly with doses from 20 to 100 mg. Peak concentrations increase linearly with dose; time to peak concentrations remains the same; whole body clearance is unchanged; and the elimination rate remains the same. The average elimination half-life in individuals with normal renal function is 5 to 6 hr. Linear kinetic processes adequately describe the absorption and elimination of metoclopramide.

Approximately 85% of the radioactivity of an orally administered dose appears in the urine within 72 hr. Of the 85% eliminated in the urine, about half is present as free or conjugated metoclopramide.

The drug is not extensively bound to plasma proteins (about 30%). The whole body volume of distribution is high (about 3.5 L/kg) which suggests extensive distribution of drug to the tissues.

Renal impairment affects the clearance of metoclopramide. In a study with patients with varying degrees of renal impairment, a reduction in creatinine clearance was correlated with a reduction in plasma clearance, renal clearance, non-renal clearance, and increase in elimination half-life. The kinetics of metoclopramide in the presence of renal impairment remained linear however. The reduction in clearance as a result of renal impairment suggests that adjustment downward of maintenance dosage should be done to avoid drug accumulation.

Adult Pharmacol	Adult Pharmacokinetic Data		
Parameter	Value		
Vd (L/kg)	~ 3.5		
Plasma Protein Binding	~ 30%		
t _{1/2} (hr)	5 to 6		
Oral Bioavailability	80%±15.5%		

In pediatric patients, the pharmacodynamics of metoclopramide following oral and intravenous administration are highly variable and a concentration-effect relationship has not been established.

There are insufficient reliable data to conclude whether the pharmacokinetics of metoclopramide in adults and the pediatric population are similar. Although there are insufficient data to support the efficacy of metoclopramide in pediatric patients with symptomatic gastroesophageal reflux (GER) or cancer chemotherapy-related nausea and vomiting, its pharmacokinetics have been studied in these patient populations.

In an open-label study, six pediatric patients (age range, 3.5 weeks to 5.4 months) with GER received metoclopramide 0.15 mg/kg oral solution every 6 hours for 10 doses. The mean peak plasma concentration of metoclopramide after the tenth dose was 2-fold (56.8 μ g/L) higher compared to that observed after the first dose (29 μ g/L) indicating drug accumulation with repeated dosing. After the tenth dose, the mean time to reach peak concentrations (2.2 hr), half-life (4.1 hr), clearance (0.67 L/h/kg), and volume of distribution (4.4 L/kg) of metoclopramide were similar to those observed after the first dose. In the youngest patient (age, 3.5 weeks), metoclopramide half-life after the first and the tenth dose (23.1 and 10.3 hr, respectively) was significantly longer compared to other infants due to reduced clearance. This may be attributed to immature hepatic and renal systems at birth.

Single intravenous doses of metoclopramide 0.22 to 0.46 mg/kg (mean, 0.35 mg/kg) were administered over 5 minutes to 9 pediatric cancer patients receiving chemotherapy (mean age, 11.7 years; range, 7 to 14 yr) for prophylaxis of cytotoxic-induced vomiting. The metoclopramide plasma concentrations extrapolated to time zero ranged from 65 to 395 μ g/L (mean, 152 μ g/L). The mean elimination half-life, clearance, and volume of distribution of metoclopramide were 4.4 hr (range, 1.7 to 8.3 hr), 0.56 L/h/kg (range, 0.12 to 1.20 L/h/kg), and 3.0 L/kg (range, 1.0 to 4.8 L/kg), respectively.

In another study, nine pediatric cancer patients (age range, 1 to 9 yr) received 4 to 5 intravenous infusions (over 30 minutes) of metoclopramide at a dose of 2 mg/kg to control emesis. After the last dose, the peak serum concentrations of metoclopramide ranged from 1060 to 5680 μ g/L. The mean elimination half-life, clearance, and volume of distribution of metoclopramide were 4.5 hr (range, 2.0 to 12.5 hr), 0.37 L/h/kg (range, 0.10 to 1.24 L/h/kg), and 1.93 L/kg (range, 0.95 to 5.50 L/kg), respectively.

INDICATIONS AND USAGE

The use of reglan® tablets is recommended for adults only. Therapy should not exceed 12 weeks in duration.

Symptomatic Gastroesophageal Reflux

reglan® tablets are indicated as short-term (4 to 12 weeks) therapy for adults with symptomatic, documented gastroesophageal reflux who fail to respond to conventional therapy.

The principal effect of metoclopramide is on symptoms of postprandial and daytime heartburn with less observed effect on nocturnal symptoms. If symptoms are confined to particular situations, such as following the evening meal, use of metoclopramide as single doses prior to the provocative situation should be considered, rather than using the drug throughout the day. Healing of esophageal ulcers and erosions has been endoscopically demonstrated at the end of a 12-week trial using doses of 15 mg q.i.d. As there is no documented correlation between symptoms and healing of esophageal lesions, patients with documented lesions should be monitored endoscopically.

Diabetic Gastroparesis (Diabetic Gastric Stasis)

reglan[®] tablets (metoclopramide tablets, USP) is indicated for the relief of symptoms associated with acute and recurrent diabetic gastric stasis. The usual manifestations of delayed gastric emptying (e.g., nausea, vomiting, heartburn, persistent fullness after meals, and anorexia) appear to respond to reglan[®] within different time intervals. Significant relief of nausea occurs early and continues to improve over a three-week period. Relief of vomiting and anorexia may precede the relief of abdominal fullness by one week or more.

CONTRAINDICATIONS

Metoclopramide should not be used whenever stimulation of gastrointestinal motility might be dangerous, e.g., in the presence of gastrointestinal hemorrhage, mechanical obstruction, or perforation.

Metoclopramide is contraindicated in patients with pheochromocytoma because the drug may cause a hypertensive crisis, probably due to release of catecholamines from the tumor. Such hypertensive crises may be controlled by phentolamine.

Metoclopramide is contraindicated in patients with known sensitivity or intolerance to the drug.

Metoclopramide should not be used in epileptics or patients receiving other drugs which are likely to cause extrapyramidal reactions, since the frequency and severity of seizures or extrapyramidal reactions may be increased.

WARNINGS

Mental depression has occurred in patients with and without prior history of depression. Symptoms have ranged from mild to severe and have included suicidal ideation and suicide. Metoclopramide should be given to patients with a prior history of depression only if the expected benefits outweigh the potential risks.

Extrapyramidal symptoms, manifested primarily as acute dystonic reactions, occur in approximately 1 in 500 patients treated with the usual adult dosages of 30 to 40 mg/day of metoclopramide. These usually are seen during the first 24 to 48 hours of treatment with metoclopramide, occur more frequently in pediatric patients and adult patients less than 30 years of age and are even more frequent at higher doses. These symptoms may include involuntary movements of limbs and facial grimacing, torticollis, oculogyric crisis, rhythmic protrusion of tongue, bulbar type of speech, trismus, or dystonic reactions resembling tetanus. Rarely, dystonic reactions may present as stridor and dyspnea, possibly due to laryngospasm. If these symptoms should occur, inject 50 mg diphenhydramine hydrochloride intramuscularly, and they usually will subside. Benztropine mesylate, 1 to 2 mg intramuscularly, may also be used to reverse these reactions.

Parkinsonian-like symptoms have occurred, more commonly within the first 6 months after beginning treatment with metoclopramide, but occasionally after longer periods. These symptoms generally subside within 2 to 3 months following discontinuance of metoclopramide. Patients with preexisting Parkinson's disease should be given metoclopramide cautiously, if at all, since such patients may experience exacerbation of parkinsonian symptoms when taking metoclopramide.

Tardive Dyskinesia

Tardive dyskinesia, a syndrome consisting of potentially irreversible, involuntary, dyskinetic movements may develop in patients treated with metoclopramide. Although the prevalence of the syndrome appears to be highest among the elderly, especially elderly women, it is impossible to predict which patients are likely to develop the syndrome. Both the risk of developing the syndrome and the likelihood that it will become irreversible are believed to increase with the duration of treatment and the total cumulative dose.

Less commonly, the syndrome can develop after relatively brief treatment periods at low doses; in these cases, symptoms appear more likely to be reversible.

There is no known treatment for established cases of tardive dyskinesia although the syndrome may remit, partially or completely, within several weeks-to-months after metoclopramide is withdrawn. Metoclopramide itself, however, may suppress (or partially suppress) the signs of tardive dyskinesia, thereby masking the underlying disease process. The effect of this symptomatic suppression upon the long-term course of the syndrome is unknown. Therefore, the use of metoclopramide for the symptomatic control of tardive dyskinesia is not recommended.

Neuroleptic Malignant Syndrome (NMS)

There have been rare reports of an uncommon but potentially fatal symptom complex sometimes referred to as Neuroleptic Malignant Syndrome (NMS) associated with metoclopramide. Clinical manifestations of NMS include hyperthermia, muscle rigidity, altered consciousness, and evidence of autonomic instability (irregular pulse or blood pressure, tachycardia, diaphoresis and cardiac arrhythmias).

The diagnostic evaluation of patients with this syndrome is complicated. In arriving at a diagnosis, it is important to identify cases where the clinical presentation includes both serious medical illness (e.g., pneumonia, systemic infection, etc.) and untreated or inadequately treated extrapyramidal signs and symptoms (EPS). Other important considerations in the differential diagnosis include central anticholinergic toxicity, heat stroke, malignant hyperthermia, drug fever and primary central nervous system (CNS) pathology.

The management of NMS should include 1) immediate discontinuation of metoclopramide and other drugs not essential to concurrent therapy, 2) intensive symptomatic treatment and medical monitoring, and 3) treatment of any concomitant serious medical problems for which specific treatments are available. Bromocriptine and dantrolene sodium have been used in treatment of NMS, but their effectiveness have not been established (see **ADVERSE REACTIONS**).

PRECAUTIONS

General

In one study in hypertensive patients, intravenously administered metoclopramide was shown to release catecholamines; hence, caution should be exercised when metoclopramide is used in patients with hypertension.

Because metoclopramide produces a transient increase in plasma aldosterone, certain patients, especially those with cirrhosis or congestive heart failure, may be at risk of developing fluid retention and volume overload. If these side effects occur at any time during metoclopramide therapy, the drug should be discontinued.

Adverse reactions, especially those involving the nervous system, may occur after stopping the use of reglan[®]. A small number of patients may experience a withdrawal period after stopping reglan[®] that could include dizziness, nervousness, and/or headaches.

Information for Patients

The use of reglan[®] is recommended for adults only. Metoclopramide may impair the mental and/or physical abilities required for the performance of hazardous tasks such as operating machinery or driving a motor vehicle. The ambulatory patient should be cautioned accordingly.

Drug Interactions

The effects of metoclopramide on gastrointestinal motility are antagonized by anticholinergic drugs and narcotic analgesics. Additive sedative effects can occur when metoclopramide is given with alcohol, sedatives, hypnotics, narcotics, or tranquilizers.

The finding that metoclopramide releases catecholamines in patients with essential hypertension suggests that it should be used cautiously, if at all, in patients receiving monoamine oxidase inhibitors.

Absorption of drugs from the stomach may be diminished (e.g., digoxin) by metoclopramide, whereas the rate and/or extent of absorption of drugs from the small bowel may be increased (e.g., acetaminophen, tetracycline, levodopa, ethanol, cyclosporine).

Gastroparesis (gastric stasis) may be responsible for poor diabetic control in some patients. Exogenously administered insulin may begin to act before food has left the stomach and lead to hypoglycemia. Because the action of metoclopramide will influence the delivery of food to the intestines and thus the rate of absorption, insulin dosage or timing of dosage may require adjustment.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

A 77-week study was conducted in rats with oral doses up to about 40 times the maximum recommended human daily dose. Metoclopramide elevates prolactin levels and the elevation persists during chronic administration. Tissue culture experiments indicate that approximately one-third of human breast cancers are prolactin-dependent *in vitro*, a factor of potential importance if the prescription of metoclopramide is contemplated in a patient with previously detected breast cancer. Although disturbances such as galactorrhea, amenorrhea, gynecomastia, and impotence have been reported with prolactin-elevating drugs, the clinical significance of elevated serum prolactin levels is unknown for most patients. An increase in mammary neoplasms has been found in rodents after chronic administration of prolactin-stimulating neuroleptic drugs and metoclopramide. Neither clinical studies nor epidemiologic studies conducted to date, however, have shown an association between chronic administration of these drugs and mammary tumorigenesis; the available evidence is too limited to be conclusive at this time.

An Ames mutagenicity test performed on metoclopramide was negative.

Pregnancy Category B

Reproduction studies performed in rats, mice and rabbits by the I.V., I.M., S.C., and oral routes at maximum levels ranging from 12 to 250 times the human dose have demonstrated no impairment of fertility or significant harm to the fetus due to metoclopramide. There are, however, no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Because animal reproduction studies are not always predictive of human response, this drug should be used during pregnancy only if clearly needed.

Nursing Mothers

Metoclopramide is excreted in human milk. Caution should be exercised when metoclopramide is administered to a nursing mother.

Pediatric Use

Safety and effectiveness in pediatric patients have not been established (see **OVERDOSAGE**).

Care should be exercised in administering metoclopramide to neonates since prolonged clearance may produce excessive serum concentrations (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY— Pharmacokinetics). In addition, neonates have reduced levels of NADH-cytochrome b₅ reductase which, in combination with the aforementioned pharmacokinetic factors, make neonates more susceptible to methemoglobinemia (see OVERDOSAGE).

The safety profile of metoclopramide in adults cannot be extrapolated to pediatric patients. Dystonias and other extrapyramidal reactions associated with metoclopramide are more common in the pediatric population than in adults. (See WARNINGS and ADVERSE REACTIONS—Extrapyramidal Reactions.)

Geriatric Use

Clinical studies of reglan® did not include sufficient numbers of subjects aged 65 and over to determine whether elderly subjects respond differently from younger subjects.

The risk of developing parkinsonian-like side effects increases with ascending dose. Geriatric patients should receive the lowest dose of reglan[®] that is effective. If parkinsonian-like symptoms develop in a geriatric patient receiving reglan[®], reglan[®] should generally be discontinued before initiating any specific anti-parkinsonian agents (see WARNINGS and DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION – For the Relief

of Symptomatic Gastroesophageal Reflux).

The elderly may be at greater risk for tardive dyskinesia (see WARNINGS – Tardive Dyskinesia).

Sedation has been reported in reglan[®] users. Sedation may cause confusion and manifest as over-sedation in the elderly (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY, PRECAUTIONS – Information for Patients and ADVERSE REACTIONS – CNS Effects).

reglan[®] is known to be substantially excreted by the kidney, and the risk of toxic reactions to this drug may be greater in patients with impaired renal function (see **DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION – USE IN PATIENTS WITH RENAL OR HEPATIC IMPAIRMENT).**

For these reasons, dose selection for an elderly patient should be cautious, usually starting at the low end of the dosing range, reflecting the greater frequency of decreased renal function, concomitant disease, or other drug therapy in the elderly (see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION – For the Relief of Symptomatic Gastroesophageal Reflux and USE IN PATIENTS WITH RENAL OR HEPATIC IMPAIRMENT).

Other Special Populations

Patients with NADH-cytochrome b₅ reductase deficiency are at an increased risk of developing methemoglobinemia and/or sulfhemoglobinemia when metoclopramide is administered. In patients with G6PD deficiency who experience metoclopramide-induced methemoglobinemia, methylene blue treatment is not recommended (see **OVERDOSAGE**).

ADVERSE REACTIONS

In general, the incidence of adverse reactions correlates with the dose and duration of metoclopramide administration. The following reactions have been reported, although in most instances, data do not permit an estimate of frequency:

CNS Effects

Restlessness, drowsiness, fatigue, and lassitude occur in approximately 10% of patients receiving the most commonly prescribed dosage of 10 mg q.i.d. (see **PRECAUTIONS**). Insomnia, headache, confusion, dizziness, or mental depression with suicidal ideation (see **WARNINGS**) occur less frequently. The incidence of drowsiness is greater at higher doses. There are isolated reports of convulsive seizures without clearcut relationship to metoclopramide. Rarely, hallucinations have been reported.

Extrapyramidal Reactions (EPS)

Acute dystonic reactions, the most common type of EPS associated with metoclopramide, occur in approximately 0.2% of patients (1 in 500) treated with 30 to 40 mg of metoclopramide per day. Symptoms include involuntary movements of limbs, facial grimacing, torticollis, oculogyric crisis, rhythmic protrusion of tongue, bulbar type of speech, trismus, opisthotonus (tetanus-like reactions), and, rarely, stridor and dyspnea possibly due to laryngospasm; ordinarily these symptoms are readily reversed by diphenhydramine (see **WARNINGS**).

Parkinsonian-like symptoms may include bradykinesia, tremor, cogwheel rigidity, mask-like facies (see **WARNINGS**).

Tardive dyskinesia most frequently is characterized by involuntary movements of the tongue, face, mouth, or jaw, and sometimes by involuntary movements of the trunk and/or extremities; movements may be

choreoathetotic in appearance (see WARNINGS).

Motor restlessness (akathisia) may consist of feelings of anxiety, agitation, jitteriness, and insomnia, as well as inability to sit still, pacing, foot tapping. These symptoms may disappear spontaneously or respond to a reduction in dosage.

Neuroleptic Malignant Syndrome

Rare occurrences of neuroleptic malignant syndrome (NMS) have been reported. This potentially fatal syndrome is comprised of the symptom complex of hyperthermia, altered consciousness, muscular rigidity, and autonomic dysfunction (see **WARNINGS**).

Endocrine Disturbances

Galactorrhea, amenorrhea, gynecomastia, impotence secondary to hyperprolactinemia (see **PRECAUTIONS**). Fluid retention secondary to transient elevation of aldosterone (see **CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY**).

Cardiovascular

Hypotension, hypertension, supraventricular tachycardia, bradycardia, fluid retention, acute congestive heart failure and possible AV block (see **CONTRAINDICATIONS**).

Gastrointestinal

Nausea and bowel disturbances, primarily diarrhea.

Hepatic

Rarely, cases of hepatotoxicity, characterized by such findings as jaundice and altered liver function tests, when metoclopramide was administered with other drugs with known hepatotoxic potential.

Renal

Urinary frequency and incontinence

Hematologic

A few cases of neutropenia, leukopenia, or agranulocytosis, generally without clearcut relationship to metoclopramide. Methemoglobinemia, in adults and especially with overdosage in neonates (see **OVERDOSAGE**). Sulfhemoglobinemia in adults.

Allergic Reactions

A few cases of rash, urticaria, or bronchospasm, especially in patients with a history of asthma. Rarely, angioneurotic edema, including glossal or laryngeal edema.

Miscellaneous

Visual disturbances. Porphyria.

OVERDOSAGE

Symptoms of overdosage may include drowsiness, disorientation and extrapyramidal reactions. Anticholinergic or antiparkinson drugs or antihistamines with anticholinergic properties may be helpful in controlling the extrapyramidal reactions. Symptoms are self-limiting and usually disappear within 24 hours.

Hemodialysis removes relatively little metoclopramide, probably because of the small amount of the drug in blood relative to tissues. Similarly, continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis does not remove significant amounts of drug. It is unlikely that dosage would need to be adjusted to compensate for losses through dialysis. Dialysis is not likely to be an effective method of drug removal in overdose situations.

Unintentional overdose due to misadministration has been reported in infants and children with the use of metoclopramide oral solution. While there was no consistent pattern to the reports associated with these overdoses, events included seizures, extrapyramidal reactions, and lethargy.

Methemoglobinemia has occurred in premature and full-term neonates who were given overdoses of metoclopramide (1 to 4 mg/kg/day orally, intramuscularly or intravenously for 1 to 3 or more days). Methemoglobinemia can be reversed by the intravenous administration of methylene blue. However, methylene blue may cause hemolytic anemia in patients with G6PD deficiency, which may be fatal (see **PRECAUTIONS – Other Special Populations).**

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

Therapy with reglan® tablets should not exceed 12 weeks in duration.

For the Relief of Symptomatic Gastroesophageal Reflux

Administer from 10 mg to 15 mg reglan[®] (metoclopramide hydrochloride, USP) orally up to q.i.d. 30 minutes before each meal and at bedtime, depending upon symptoms being treated and clinical response (see **CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY** and **INDICATIONS AND USAGE).** If symptoms occur only intermittently or at specific times of the day, use of metoclopramide in single doses up to 20 mg prior to the provoking situation may be preferred rather than continuous treatment. Occasionally, patients (such as elderly patients) who are more sensitive to the therapeutic or adverse effects of metoclopramide will require only 5 mg per dose.

Experience with esophageal erosions and ulcerations is limited, but healing has thus far been documented in one controlled trial using q.i.d. therapy at 15 mg/dose, and this regimen should be used when lesions are present, so long as it is tolerated (see **ADVERSE REACTIONS**). Because of the poor correlation between symptoms and endoscopic appearance of the esophagus, therapy directed at esophageal lesions is best guided by endoscopic evaluation.

Therapy longer than 12 weeks has not been evaluated and cannot be recommended.

For the Relief of Symptoms Associated with Diabetic Gastroparesis (Diabetic Gastric Stasis)

Administer 10 mg of metoclopramide 30 minutes before each meal and at bedtime for two to eight weeks, depending upon response and the likelihood of continued well-being upon drug discontinuation.

The initial route of administration should be determined by the severity of the presenting symptoms. If only the earliest manifestations of diabetic gastric stasis are present, oral administration of reglan[®] may be initiated. However, if severe symptoms are present, therapy should begin with metoclopramide injection (consult labeling of the injection prior to initiating parenteral administration).

Administration of metoclopramide injection up to 10 days may be required before symptoms subside, at which time oral administration may be instituted. Since diabetic gastric stasis is frequently recurrent, reglan® therapy should be reinstituted at the earliest manifestation.

USE IN PATIENTS WITH RENAL OR HEPATIC IMPAIRMENT

Since metoclopramide is excreted principally through the kidneys, in those patients whose creatinine clearance is below 40 mL/min, therapy should be initiated at approximately one-half the recommended dosage. Depending upon clinical efficacy and safety considerations, the dosage may be increased or decreased as appropriate.

See **OVERDOSAGE** section for information regarding dialysis.

Metoclopramide undergoes minimal hepatic metabolism, except for simple conjugation. Its safe use has been described in patients with advanced liver disease whose renal function was normal.

HOW SUPPLIED

Each white, capsule-shaped, scored reglan[®] tablet (metoclopramide tablets, USP) contains 10 mg metoclopramide base (as the monohydrochloride monohydrate). Available in:

Bottles of 100 tablets (NDC 0091-6701-63) Bottles of 500 tablets (NDC 0091-6701-70)

Each green, elliptical-shaped reglan[®] tablet (metoclopramide tablets, USP) contains 5 mg metoclopramide base (as the monohydrochloride monohydrate). Available in:

Bottles of 100 tablets (NDC 0091-6705-63)

Dispense tablets in tight, light-resistant container.

Tablets should be stored at controlled room temperature, between 20°C and 25°C (68°F and 77°F).



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Exhibit 5

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS CORPUS CHRISTI DIVISION

MARIA LUISA GARZA, INDIVIDUALLY	§	
AND	§	
OSCAR GARZA, SR., INDIVIDUALLY	§	
	§	CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:12-cv-00198
VS.	§	
	§	JURY REQUESTED
WYETH, LLC f/k/a WYETH d/b/a	§	
WYETH INC., ET AL.	§	
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AFFIDAVIT OF PHILIP ERICKSON

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA)	
)	ss.:
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY)	

Philip Erickson, being first duly sworn upon his oath and under penalty of perjury, hereby states as follows:

- 1. I am currently employed by Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc. ("Teva") as Vice President, Regulatory Affairs.
- 2. I have been employed by Teva or its predecessors since 1990 in the Regulatory Affairs department.
- 3. By virtue of my job duties, I am knowledgeable about the subjects included within this affidavit.
- 4. Attached as Exhibits A and B are true and correct copies of letters from Teva to the Food and Drug Administration ("FDA"), dated June 24, 2005, and accompanying Changes Being Effected ("CBE") Supplement. These materials include a true and correct copy of Teva's package insert for metoclopramide tablets as of June 24, 2005, which reflects all of the required language approved by the FDA on July 26, 2004.

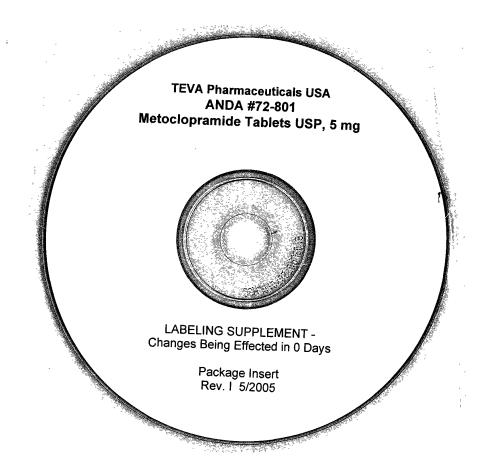
- 5. Attached as Exhibits C and D are true and correct copies of letters from Teva to the FDA, dated July 20, 2009, and accompanying CBE Supplement. These materials include a true and correct copy of Teva's package insert for metoclopramide tablets as of July 20, 2009, which reflects all of the required language approved by the FDA on June 30, 2009.
- 6. Attached as Exhibit E is a true and correct copy of an excerpt from the National Drug Code Directory on the FDA's website, available at <a href="http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/ndc/results.cfm?searchfield=0093%2D2203&searchtype=NDCPackageCode&OrderBy=NDCPackageCode. This excerpt indicates that Teva's National Drug Code for 10 mg metoclopramide is 0093-2203. FURTHER, AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

SWORN TO and subscribed in my presence this day of day of day, 201

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

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EVELYN M. SARACHMAN, Notary Public
Horsham Twp., Montgomery County
My Commission Expires May 27, 2014

Exhibit A



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

APPLICATION TO MARKET A NEW DRUG, BIOLOGIC, OR AN ANTIBIOTIC DRUG FOR HUMAN USE (Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 314 & 601)

Form Approved: OMB No. 0910-0338 Expiration Date: August 31, 2005 See OMB Statement on page 2.

APPLICATION NUMBER

FOR FDA USE ONLY

APPLICANT INFORMATION NAME OF APPLICANT DATE OF SUBMISSION June 24, 2005 TEVA Pharmaceuticals USA TELEPHONE NO. (Include Area Code) FACSIMILE (FAX) Number (Include Area Code) (215) 591-3000 (215) 591-8812

APPLICANT ADDRESS (Number, Street, City, State, Country, ZIP Code or Mail Code, and U.S. License number if previously issued):

1090 Horsham Road PO Box 1090

North Wales, PA 19454

AUTHORIZED U.S. AGENT NAME & ADDRESS (Number, Street, City, State, ZIP Code, telephone & FAX number) IF APPLICABLE

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION NEW DRUG OR ANTIBIOTIC APPLICATION NUMBER, OR BIOLOGICS LICENSE APPLICATION NUMBER (If previously issued) 72-801 ESTABLISHED NAME (e.g., Proper name, USP/USAN name) PROPRIETARY NAME (trade name) IF ANY METOCLOPRAMIDE TABLETS, USP N/A CODE NAME (If any) CHEMICAL/BIOCHEMICAL/BLOOD PRODUCT NAME (If any) Benzamide, 4-amino-5-chloro-N-[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]-2-methoxy-N/A DOSAGE FORM: STRENGTHS: ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION: **TABLET ORAL** 5 mg

(PROPOSED) INDICATION(S) FOR USE:

TYPE OF SUBMISSION (check one)

REASON FOR SUBMISSION

Symptomatic gastroesophageal reflux: indicated as short term (4 to 12 weeks) therapy for adults with symptomatic, documented reflux who fail to respond to coventional therapy. Diabetic gastroparesis (diabetic gastric stasis): indicated for the relief of symptoms associated with acute and recurrent diabetic gastric stasis.

APPLICATION INFORMATION APPLICATION TYPE (check one) ■ NEW DRUG APPLICATION (21 CFR 314.50)

☑ ABBREVIATED NEW DRUG APPLICATION (ANDA, 21 CFR 314.94)

☐ BIOLOGICS LICENSE APPLICATION (21 CFR Part 601) IF AN NDA, IDENTIFY THE APPROPRIATE TYPE □505 (b)(1)

505 (b)(2)

IF AN ANDA, OR 505(b)(2), IDENTIFY THE REFERENCE LISTED DRUG PRODUCT THAT IS THE BASIS FOR THE SUBMISSION **REGLAN®** Name of Drug Holder of Approved Application

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IF A SUBMISSION OF PARTIAL APPLICATION, PROVIDE LETTER DATE OF AGREEMENT TO PARTIAL SUBMISSION:

⊠ CBE CBE-30

Prior Approval (PA)

SUPPLEMENT – Changes Being Effected in 0 Days

IF A SUPPLEMENT, IDENTIFY THE APPROPRIATE CATEGORY

PROPOSED MARKETING STATUS (check one) PRESCRIPTION PRODUCT (Rx) OVER THE COUNTER PRODUCT (OTC)

NUMBER OF VOLUMES SUBMITTED THIS APPLICATION IS ☐ PAPER ☐ PAPER AND ELECTRONIC ☑ ELECTRONIC ESTABLISHMENT INFORMATION (Full establishment information should be provided in the body of the Application.)

ORIGINAL APPLICATION

Provide locations of all manufacturing, packaging and control sites for drug substance and drug product (continuation sheets may be used if necessary). Include name, address, contact, telephone number, registration number (CFN), DMF number, and manufacturing steps and/or type of testing (e.g. Final dosage form, Stability testing) conducted at the site. Please indicate whether the site is ready for inspection or, if not, when it will be ready.

Cross References (list related License Applications, INDs, NDAs, PMAs, 510(k)s, IDEs, BMFs, and DMFs referenced in the current application) N/A

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LABELING SUPPLEMENT

June 24, 2005

Gary Buehler, Director Office of Generic Drugs Food and Drug Administration Document Control Room Metro Park North II 7500 Standish Place, Room 150 Rockville, MD 20855-2773

ANDA #72-801
METOCLOPRAMIDE TABLETS USP, 5 mg
SUPPLEMENT – CHANGES BEING EFFECTED IN 0 DAYS

Dear Mr. Buehler:

We submit herewith a supplement to the above-referenced ANDA in response to the insert revision for the Reference Listed Drug, approved on July 26, 2004. The revised package insert provided herein will be implemented immediately.

Enclosed please find a disk containing our revised package insert, Rev. I 5/2005 in PDF and Word formats, along with a comparison to the previous version of the package insert in PDF format. In accord with the Agency's Submission Guideline dated November 8, 1991, we draw your attention to the essentially identical supplement to the following application: ANDA #70-184 Metoclopramide Tablets USP, 10 mg.

This information is submitted for your review and approval. If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (215) 591-3141 or via facsimile at (215) 591-8812.

Sincerely,

Enclosures

METOCLOPRAMIDE TABLETS USP

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Rx only DESCRIPTION

Metoclopramide hydrochloride is a white or practically white, crystalline, odorless or practically odorless powder. It is very soluble in water, freely soluble in alcohol, sparingly soluble in chloroform and practically insoluble in ether. Chemically, it is 4-amino-5-chloro-*N*-[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]-2-methoxy benzamide monohydrochloride monohydrate. Its structural formula is as follows:

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• HCI • H $_2$ O
CCH $_3$

 $C_{14}H_{22}CIN_3O_2 \forall HCl \forall H_2O$

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Each tablet for oral administration contains 5 mg or 10 mg metoclopramide (present as the hydrochloride).

Inactive Ingredients

Corn starch, dibasic calcium phosphate, magnesium stearate, microcrystalline cellulose and sodium starch glycolate.

CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

Metoclopramide stimulates motility of the upper gastrointestinal tract without stimulating gastric, biliary, or pancreatic secretions. Its mode of action is unclear. It seems to sensitize tissues to the action of acetylcholine. The effect of metoclopramide on motility is not dependent on intact vagal innervation, but it can be abolished by anticholinergic drugs.

Metoclopramide increases the tone and amplitude of gastric (especially antral) contractions, relaxes the pyloric sphincter and the duodenal bulb, and increases peristalsis of the duodenum

and jejunum resulting in accelerated gastric emptying and intestinal transit. It increases the resting tone of the lower esophageal sphincter. It has little, if any, effect on the motility of the colon or gallbladder.

In patients with gastroesophageal reflux and low LESP (lower esophageal sphincter pressure), single oral doses of metoclopramide produce dose-related increases in LESP. Effects begin at about 5 mg and increase through 20 mg (the largest dose tested). The increase in LESP from a 5 mg dose lasts about 45 minutes and that of 20 mg lasts between 2 and 3 hours. Increased rate of stomach emptying has been observed with single oral doses of 10 mg.

The antiemetic properties of metoclopramide appear to be a result of its antagonism of central and peripheral dopamine receptors. Dopamine produces nausea and vomiting by stimulation of the medullary chemoreceptor trigger zone (CTZ), and metoclopramide blocks stimulation of the CTZ by agents like l-dopa or apomorphine which are known to increase dopamine levels or to possess dopamine-like effects. Metoclopramide also abolishes the slowing of gastric emptying caused by apomorphine.

Like the phenothiazines and related drugs, which are also dopamine antagonists, metoclopramide produces sedation and may produce extrapyramidal reactions, although these are comparatively rare (see **WARNINGS**). Metoclopramide inhibits the central and peripheral effects of apomorphine, induces release of prolactin and causes a transient increase in circulating aldosterone levels, which may be associated with transient fluid retention.

The onset of pharmacological action of metoclopramide is 1 to 3 minutes following an intravenous dose, 10 to 15 minutes following intramuscular administration, and 30 to 60 minutes following an oral dose; pharmacological effects persist for 1 to 2 hours.

Pharmacokinetics

Metoclopramide is rapidly and well absorbed. Relative to an intravenous dose of 20 mg, the absolute oral bioavailability of metoclopramide is $80\% \pm 15.5\%$ as demonstrated in a crossover study of 18 subjects. Peak plasma concentrations occur at about 1 to 2 hr after a single oral dose. Similar time to peak is observed after individual doses at steady state.

In a single dose study of 12 subjects, the area under the drug concentration-time curve increases linearly with doses from 20 to 100 mg. Peak concentrations increase linearly with dose; time to peak concentrations remains the same; whole body clearance is unchanged; and the elimination rate remains the same. The average elimination half-life in individuals with normal renal function is 5 to 6 hr. Linear kinetic processes adequately describe the absorption and elimination of metoclopramide.

Approximately 85% of the radioactivity of an orally administered dose appears in the urine within 72 hr. Of the 85% eliminated in the urine, about half is present as free or conjugated metoclopramide.

The drug is not extensively bound to plasma proteins (about 30%). The whole body volume of distribution is high (about 3.5 L/kg) which suggests extensive distribution of drug to the tissues.

Renal impairment affects the clearance of metoclopramide. In a study with patients with varying degrees of renal impairment, a reduction in creatinine clearance was correlated with a reduction in plasma clearance, renal clearance, non-renal clearance, and increase in elimination half-life. The kinetics of metoclopramide in the presence of renal impairment remained linear however. The reduction in clearance as a result of renal impairment suggests that adjustment downward of maintenance dosage should be done to avoid drug accumulation.

Adult Pharmacokinetic Data			
Parameter	Value		
Vd (L/kg)	~ 3.5		
Plasma Protein Binding	~ 30%		
t _{1/2} (hr)	5 to 6		
Oral Bioavailability	80% ± 15.5%		

In pediatric patients, the pharmacodynamics of metoclopramide following oral and intravenous administration are highly variable and a concentration-effect relationship has not been established.

There are insufficient reliable data to conclude whether the pharmacokinetics of metoclopramide in adults and the pediatric population are similar. Although there are insufficient data to support the efficacy of metoclopramide in pediatric patients with symptomatic gastroesophageal reflux (GER) or cancer chemotherapy-related nausea and vomiting, its pharmacokinetics have been studied in these patient populations.

In an open-label study, six pediatric patients (age range, 3.5 weeks to 5.4 months) with GER received metoclopramide 0.15 mg/kg oral solution every 6 hours for 10 doses. The mean peak plasma concentration of metoclopramide after the tenth dose was 2 fold (56.8 mcg/L) higher compared to that observed after the first dose (29 mcg/L) indicating drug accumulation with repeated dosing. After the tenth dose, the mean time to reach peak concentrations (2.2 hr), half-life (4.1 hr), clearance (0.67 L/h/kg), and volume of distribution (4.4 L/kg) of metoclopramide were similar to those observed after the first dose. In the youngest patient (age, 3.5 weeks), metoclopramide half-life after the first and the tenth dose (23.1 and 10.3 hr, respectively) was significantly longer compared to other infants due to reduced clearance. This may be attributed to immature hepatic and renal systems at birth.

Single intravenous doses of metoclopramide 0.22 to 0.46 mg/kg (mean, 0.35 mg/kg) were administered over 5 minutes to 9 pediatric cancer patients receiving chemotherapy (mean age, 11.7 years; range, 7 to 14 yr) for prophylaxis of cytotoxic-induced vomiting. The metoclopramide plasma concentrations extrapolated to time zero ranged from 65 to 395 mcg/L (mean, 152 mcg/L). The mean elimination half-life, clearance, and volume of distribution of metoclopramide were 4.4 hr (range, 1.7 to 8.3 hr), 0.56 L/h/kg (range, 0.12 to 1.20 L/h/kg), and 3.0 L/kg (range, 1.0 to 4.8 L/kg), respectively.

In another study, nine pediatric cancer patients (age range, 1 to 9 yr) received 4 to 5 intravenous infusions (over 30 minutes) of metoclopramide at a dose of 2 mg/kg to control emesis. After the last dose, the peak serum concentrations of metoclopramide ranged from 1060 to 5680 mcg/L.

The mean elimination half-life, clearance, and volume of distribution of metoclopramide were 4.5 hr (range, 2.0 to 12.5 hr), 0.37 L/h/kg (range, 0.10 to 1.24 L/h/kg), and 1.93 L/kg (range, 0.95 to 5.50 L/kg), respectively.

INDICATIONS AND USAGE

The use of metoclopramide tablets is recommended for adults only. Therapy should not exceed 12 weeks in duration.

Symptomatic Gastroesophageal Reflux

Metoclopramide tablets are indicated as short-term (4 to 12 weeks) therapy for adults with symptomatic, documented gastroesophageal reflux who fail to respond to conventional therapy.

The principal effect of metoclopramide is on symptoms of postprandial and daytime heartburn with less observed effect on nocturnal symptoms. If symptoms are confined to particular situations, such as following the evening meal, use of metoclopramide as single doses prior to the provocative situation should be considered, rather than using the drug throughout the day. Healing of esophageal ulcers and erosions has been endoscopically demonstrated at the end of a 12 week trial using doses of 15 mg q.i.d. As there is no documented correlation between symptoms and healing of esophageal lesions, patients with documented lesions should be monitored endoscopically.

Diabetic Gastroparesis (Diabetic Gastric Stasis)

Metoclopramide tablets are indicated for the relief of symptoms associated with acute and recurrent diabetic gastric stasis. The usual manifestations of delayed gastric emptying (e.g., nausea, vomiting, heartburn, persistent fullness after meals, and anorexia) appear to respond to metoclopramide within different time intervals. Significant relief of nausea occurs early and continues to improve over a three-week period. Relief of vomiting and anorexia may precede the relief of abdominal fullness by one week or more.

CONTRAINDICATIONS

Metoclopramide should not be used whenever stimulation of gastrointestinal motility might be dangerous, e.g., in the presence of gastrointestinal hemorrhage, mechanical obstruction, or perforation.

Metoclopramide is contraindicated in patients with pheochromocytoma because the drug may cause a hypertensive crisis, probably due to release of catecholamines from the tumor. Such hypertensive crises may be controlled by phentolamine.

Metoclopramide is contraindicated in patients with known sensitivity or intolerance to the drug.

Metoclopramide should not be used in epileptics or patients receiving other drugs which are likely to cause extrapyramidal reactions, since the frequency and severity of seizures or extrapyramidal reactions may be increased.

WARNINGS

Mental depression has occurred in patients with and without prior history of depression. Symptoms have ranged from mild to severe and have included suicidal ideation and suicide. Metoclopramide should be given to patients with a prior history of depression only if the expected benefits outweigh the potential risks.

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The effects of metoclopramide on gastrointestinal motility are antagonized by anticholinergic drugs and narcotic analgesics. Additive sedative effects can occur when metoclopramide is given with alcohol, sedatives, hypnotics, narcotics, or tranquilizers.

The finding that metoclopramide releases catecholamines in patients with essential hypertension suggests that it should be used cautiously, if at all, in patients receiving monoamine oxidase inhibitors.

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Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

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An Ames mutagenicity test performed on metoclopramide was negative.

Pregnancy Category B

Reproduction studies performed in rats, mice and rabbits by the I.V., I.M., S.C., and oral routes at maximum levels ranging from 12 to 250 times the human dose have demonstrated no impairment of fertility or significant harm to the fetus due to metoclopramide. There are, however, no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Because animal reproduction studies are not always predictive of human response, this drug should be used during pregnancy only if clearly needed.

Nursing Mothers

Metoclopramide is excreted in human milk. Caution should be exercised when metoclopramide is administered to a nursing mother.

Pediatric Use

Safety and effectiveness in pediatric patients have not been established (see OVERDOSAGE).

Care should be exercised in administering metoclopramide to neonates since prolonged clearance may produce excessive serum concentrations (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY, Pharmacokinetics). In addition, neonates have reduced levels of NADH-cytochrome b₅

reductase which, in combination with the aforementioned pharmacokinetic factors, make neonates more susceptible to methemoglobinemia (see OVERDOSAGE).

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Geriatric Use

Clinical studies of metoclopramide did not include sufficient numbers of subjects aged 65 and over to determine whether elderly subjects respond differently from younger subjects.

The risk of developing parkinsonian-like side effects increases with ascending dose. Geriatric patients should receive the lowest dose of metoclopramide that is effective. If parkinsonian-like symptoms develop in a geriatric patient receiving metoclopramide, metoclopramide should generally be discontinued before initiating any specific anti-parkinsonian agents (see WARNINGS and DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION, For the Relief of Symptomatic Gastroesophageal Reflux).

The elderly may be at greater risk for tardive dyskinesia (see WARNINGS, Tardive Dyskinesia).

Sedation has been reported in metoclopramide users. Sedation may cause confusion and manifest as over-sedation in the elderly (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY; PRECAUTIONS, Information for Patients; and ADVERSE REACTIONS, CNS Effects).

Metoclopramide is known to be substantially excreted by the kidney, and the risk of toxic reactions to this drug may be greater in patients with impaired renal function (see **DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION**, Use in Patients with Renal or Hepatic Impairment).

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Other Special Populations

Patients with NADH-cytochrome b₅ reductase deficiency are at an increased risk of developing methemoglobinemia and/or sulfhemoglobinemia when metoclopramide is administered. In patients with G6PD deficiency who experience metoclopramide-induced methemoglobinemia, methylene blue treatment is not recommended (see **OVERDOSAGE**).

ADVERSE REACTIONS

In general, the incidence of adverse reactions correlates with the dose and duration of metoclopramide administration. The following reactions have been reported, although in most instances, data do not permit an estimate of frequency:

CNS Effects

Restlessness, drowsiness, fatigue, and lassitude occur in approximately 10% of patients receiving the most commonly prescribed dosage of 10 mg q.i.d. (see **PRECAUTIONS**). Insomnia, headache, confusion, dizziness, or mental depression with suicidal ideation (see **WARNINGS**) occur less frequently. The incidence of drowsiness is greater at higher doses. There are isolated reports of convulsive seizures without clearcut relationship to metoclopramide. Rarely, hallucinations have been reported.

Extrapyramidal Reactions (EPS)

Acute dystonic reactions, the most common type of EPS associated with metoclopramide, occur in approximately 0.2% of patients (1 in 500) treated with 30 to 40 mg of metoclopramide per day. Symptoms include involuntary movements of limbs, facial grimacing, torticollis, oculogyric crisis, rhythmic protrusion of tongue, bulbar type of speech, trismus, opisthotonus (tetanus-like reactions), and, rarely, stridor and dyspnea possibly due to laryngospasm; ordinarily these symptoms are readily reversed by diphenhydramine (see **WARNINGS**).

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Tardive dyskinesia most frequently is characterized by involuntary movements of the tongue, face, mouth, or jaw, and sometimes by involuntary movements of the trunk and/or extremities; movements may be choreoathetotic in appearance (see **WARNINGS**).

Motor restlessness (akathisia) may consist of feelings of anxiety, agitation, jitteriness, and insomnia, as well as inability to sit still, pacing, foot tapping. These symptoms may disappear spontaneously or respond to a reduction in dosage.

Neuroleptic Malignant Syndrome

Rare occurrences of neuroleptic malignant syndrome (NMS) have been reported. This potentially fatal syndrome is comprised of the symptom complex of hyperthermia, altered consciousness, muscular rigidity, and autonomic dysfunction (see WARNINGS).

Endocrine Disturbances

Galactorrhea, amenorrhea, gynecomastia, impotence secondary to hyperprolactinemia (see **PRECAUTIONS**). Fluid retention secondary to transient elevation of aldosterone (see **CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY**).

Cardiovascular

Hypotension, hypertension, supraventricular tachycardia, bradycardia, fluid retention, acute congestive heart failure and possible AV block (see **CONTRAINDICATIONS** and **PRECAUTIONS**).

Gastrointestinal

Nausea and bowel disturbances, primarily diarrhea.

Hepatic

Rarely, cases of hepatotoxicity, characterized by such findings as jaundice and altered liver function tests, when metoclopramide was administered with other drugs with known hepatotoxic potential.

Renal

Urinary frequency and incontinence.

Hematologic

A few cases of neutropenia, leukopenia, or agranulocytosis, generally without clearcut relationship to metoclopramide. Methemoglobinemia, in adults and especially with overdosage in neonates (see **OVERDOSAGE**). Sulfhemoglobinemia in adults.

Allergic Reactions

A few cases of rash, urticaria, or bronchospasm, especially in patients with a history of asthma. Rarely, angioneurotic edema, including glossal or laryngeal edema.

Miscellaneous

Visual disturbances. Porphyria.

OVERDOSAGE

Symptoms of overdosage may include drowsiness, disorientation, and extrapyramidal reactions. Anticholinergic or antiparkinson drugs or antihistamines with anticholinergic properties may be helpful in controlling the extrapyramidal reactions. Symptoms are self-limiting and usually disappear within 24 hours.

Hemodialysis removes relatively little metoclopramide, probably because of the small amount of the drug in blood relative to tissues. Similarly, continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis does not remove significant amounts of drug. It is unlikely that dosage would need to be adjusted to compensate for losses through dialysis. Dialysis is not likely to be an effective method of drug removal in overdose situations.

Unintentional overdose due to misadministration has been reported in infants and children with the use of metoclopramide oral solution. While there was no consistent pattern to the reports associated with these overdoses, events included seizures, extrapyramidal reactions, and lethargy.

Methemoglobinemia has occurred in premature and full-term neonates who were given overdoses of metoclopramide (1 to 4 mg/kg/day orally, intramuscularly or intravenously for 1 to 3 or more days). Methemoglobinemia can be reversed by the intravenous administration of methylene blue. However, methylene blue may cause hemolytic anemia in patients with G6PD deficiency, which may be fatal (see **PRECAUTIONS**, **Other Special Populations**).

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

Therapy with metoclopramide tablets should not exceed 12 weeks in duration.

For the Relief of Symptomatic Gastroesophageal Reflux

Administer from 10 mg to 15 mg of metoclopramide tablet, orally up to q.i.d. 30 minutes before each meal and at bedtime, depending upon symptoms being treated and clinical response (see **CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY** and **INDICATIONS AND USAGE**). If symptoms occur only intermittently or at specific times of the day, use of metoclopramide in single doses up to 20 mg prior to the provoking situation may be preferred rather than continuous treatment. Occasionally, patients (such as elderly patients) who are more sensitive to the therapeutic or adverse effects of metoclopramide will require only 5 mg per dose.

Experience with esophageal erosions and ulcerations is limited, but healing has thus far been documented in one controlled trial using q.i.d. therapy at 15 mg/dose, and this regimen should be used when lesions are present, so long as it is tolerated (see **ADVERSE REACTIONS**). Because of the poor correlation between symptoms and endoscopic appearance of the esophagus, therapy directed at esophageal lesions is best guided by endoscopic evaluation.

Therapy longer than 12 weeks has not been evaluated and cannot be recommended.

For the Relief of Symptoms Associated with Diabetic Gastroparesis (Diabetic Gastric Stasis)

Administer 10 mg of metoclopramide 30 minutes before each meal and at bedtime for two to eight weeks, depending upon response and the likelihood of continued well-being upon drug discontinuation.

The initial route of administration should be determined by the severity of the presenting symptoms. If only the earliest manifestations of diabetic gastric stasis are present, oral administration of metoclopramide may be initiated. However, if severe symptoms are present, therapy should begin with metoclopramide injection (consult labeling of the injection prior to initiating parenteral administration).

Administration of metoclopramide injection up to 10 days may be required before symptoms subside, at which time oral administration may be instituted. Since diabetic gastric stasis is frequently recurrent, metoclopramide therapy should be reinstituted at the earliest manifestation.

Use in Patients with Renal or Hepatic Impairment

Since metoclopramide is excreted principally through the kidneys, in those patients whose creatinine clearance is below 40 mL/min, therapy should be initiated at approximately one-half the recommended dosage. Depending upon clinical efficacy and safety considerations, the dosage may be increased or decreased as appropriate.

See OVERDOSAGE section for information regarding dialysis.

Metoclopramide undergoes minimal hepatic metabolism, except for simple conjugation. Its safe use has been described in patients with advanced liver disease whose renal function was normal.

HOW SUPPLIED

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Dispense in a tight, light-resistant container.

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Tablets should be stored at 20° to 25°C (68° to 77°F) [See USP Controlled Room Temperature].

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Rx only **DESCRIPTION**

Metoclopramide hydrochloride is a white or practically white, crystalline, odorless or practically odorless powder. It is very soluble in water, freely soluble in alcohol, sparingly soluble in chloroform and practically insoluble in ether. Chemically, it is 4-amino-5-chloro-N-[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]-2-methoxy benzamide monohydrochloride monohydrate. Its structural formula is as follows:

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Each tablet for oral administration contains 5 mg or 10 mg metoclopramide (present as the hydrochloride).

Inactive Ingredients

Corn starch, dibasic calcium phosphate, magnesium stearate, microcrystalline cellulose and sodium starch glycolate.

CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

Metoclopramide stimulates motility of the upper gastrointestinal tract without stimulating gastric, biliary, or pancreatic secretions. Its mode of action is unclear. It seems to sensitize tissues to the action of acetylcholine. The effect of metoclopramide on motility is not dependent on intact vagal innervation, but it can be abolished by anticholinergic drugs.

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and jejunum resulting in accelerated gastric emptying and intestinal transit. It increases the resting tone of the lower esophageal sphincter. It has little, if any, effect on the motility of the colon or gallbladder.

In patients with gastroesophageal reflux and low LESP (lower esophageal sphincter pressure), single oral doses of metoclopramide produce dose-related increases in LESP. Effects begin at about 5 mg and increase through 20 mg (the largest dose tested). The increase in LESP from a 5 mg dose lasts about 45 minutes and that of 20 mg lasts between 2 and 3 hours. Increased rate of stomach emptying has been observed with single oral doses of 10 mg.

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The antiemetic properties of metoclopramide appear to be a result of its antagonism of central and peripheral dopamine receptors. Dopamine produces nausea and vomiting by stimulation of the medullary chemoreceptor trigger zone (CTZ), and metoclopramide blocks stimulation of the CTZ by agents like J-dopa or apomorphine which are known to increase dopamine levels or to possess dopamine-like effects. Metoclopramide also abolishes the slowing of gastric emptying caused by apomorphine.

Like the phenothiazines and related drugs, which are also dopamine antagonists, metoclopramide produces sedation and may produce extrapyramidal reactions, although these are comparatively rare (see WARNINGS). Metoclopramide inhibits the central and peripheral effects of apomorphine, induces release of prolactin and causes a transient increase in circulating aldosterone levels, which may be associated with transient fluid retention.

The onset of pharmacological action of metoclopramide is 1 to 2 minutes following an intravenous dose, 10 to 15 minutes following intramuscular administration, and 30 to 60 minutes following an oral dose; pharmacological effects persist for 1 to 2 hours.

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Pharmacokinetics

Metoclopramide is rapidly and well absorbed. Relative to an intravenous dose of 20 mg, the absolute oral bioavailability of metoclopramide is $80\% \pm 15.5\%$ as demonstrated in a crossover study of 18 subjects. Peak plasma concentrations occur at about 1 to 2 hr after a single oral dose. Similar time to peak is observed after individual doses at steady state.

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In a single dose study of 12 subjects, the area under the drug concentration-time curve increases linearly with doses from 20 to 100 mg. Peak concentrations increase linearly with dose; time to peak concentrations remains the same; whole body clearance is unchanged; and the elimination rate remains the same. The average elimination half-life in individuals with normal renal function is 5 to 6 hr. Linear kinetic processes adequately describe the absorption and elimination of metoclopramide.

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Approximately 85% of the radioactivity of an orally administered dose appears in the urine within 72 hr. Of the 85% eliminated in the urine, about half is present as free or conjugated metoclopramide.

The drug is not extensively bound to plasma proteins (about 30%). The whole body volume of distribution is high (about 3.5 L/kg) which suggests extensive distribution of drug to the tissues.

Renal impairment affects the clearance of metoclopramide. In a study with patients with varying degrees of renal impairment, a reduction in creatinine clearance was correlated with a reduction in plasma clearance, renal clearance, non-renal clearance, and increase in elimination half-life. The kinetics of metoclopramide in the presence of renal impairment remained linear however. The reduction in clearance as a result of renal impairment suggests that adjustment downward of maintenance dosage should be done to avoid drug accumulation.

Adult Pharmacokinetic Data			
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Vd (L/kg)	~ 3.5		
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Oral Bioavailability	$80\% \pm 15.5\%$		

In pediatric patients, the pharmacodynamics of metoclopramide following oral and intravenous administration are highly variable and a concentration-effect relationship has not been established.

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Information for Patients

The use of metoclopramide is recommended for adults only. Metoclopramide may impair the mental and/or physical abilities required for the performance of hazardous tasks such as operating machinery or driving a motor vehicle. The ambulatory patient should be cautioned accordingly.

Drug Interactions

The effects of metoclopramide on gastrointestinal motility are antagonized by anticholinergic drugs and narcotic analgesics. Additive sedative effects can occur when metoclopramide is given with alcohol, sedatives, hypnotics, narcotics, or tranquilizers.

The finding that metoclopramide releases catecholamines in patients with essential hypertension suggests that it should be used cautiously, if at all, in patients receiving monoamine oxidase inhibitors.

Absorption of drugs from the stomach may be diminished (e.g., digoxin) by metoclopramide, whereas the rate and/or extent of absorption of drugs from the small bowel may be increased (e.g., acetaminophen, tetracycline, levodopa, ethanol, cyclosporine).

Gastroparesis (gastric stasis) may be responsible for poor diabetic control in some patients. Exogenously administered insulin may begin to act before food has left the stomach and lead to hypoglycemia. Because the action of metoclopramide will influence the delivery of food to the intestines and thus the rate of absorption, insulin dosage or timing of dosage may require adjustment.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

A 77 week study was conducted in rats with oral doses up to about 40 times the maximum recommended human daily dose. Metoclopramide elevates prolactin levels and the elevation persists during chronic administration. Tissue culture experiments indicate that approximately one-third of human breast cancers are prolactin-dependent *in vitro*, a factor of potential importance if the prescription of metoclopramide is contemplated in a patient with previously detected breast cancer. Although disturbances such as galactorrhea, amenorrhea, gynecomastia, and impotence have been reported with prolactin-elevating drugs, the clinical significance of elevated serum prolactin levels is unknown for most patients. An increase in mammary neoplasms has been found in rodents after chronic administration of prolactin-stimulating neuroleptic drugs and metoclopramide. Neither clinical studies nor epidemiologic studies conducted to date, however, have shown an association between chronic administration of these drugs and mammary tumorigenesis; the available evidence is too limited to be conclusive at this time.

An Ames mutagenicity test performed on metoclopramide was negative.

Pregnancy Category B

Reproduction studies performed in rats, mice and rabbits by the I.V., I.M., S.C., and oral routes at maximum levels ranging from 12 to 250 times the human dose have demonstrated no impairment of fertility or significant harm to the fetus due to metoclopramide. There are, however, no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Because animal reproduction studies are not always predictive of human response, this drug should be used during pregnancy only if clearly needed.

Nursing Mothers

Metoclopramide is excreted in human milk. Caution should be exercised when metoclopramide is administered to a nursing mother.

Pediatric Use

Safety and effectiveness in pediatric patients have not been established (see OVERDOSAGE).

Care should be exercised in administering metoclopramide to neonates since prolonged clearance may produce excessive serum concentrations (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY, Pharmacokinetics). In addition, neonates have reduced levels of NADH-cytochrome b₅

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reductase which, in combination with the aforementioned pharmacokinetic factors, make neonates more susceptible to methemoglobinemia (see OVERDOSAGE).

The safety profile of metoclopramide in adults cannot be extrapolated to pediatric patients. Dystonias and other extrapyramidal reactions associated with metoclopramide are more common in the pediatric population than in adults (see WARNINGS and ADVERSE REACTIONS, Extrapyramidal Reactions).

Geriatric Use

Clinical studies of metoclopramide did not include sufficient numbers of subjects aged 65 and over to determine whether elderly subjects respond differently from younger subjects.

The risk of developing parkinsonian-like side effects increases with ascending dose. Geriatric patients should receive the lowest dose of metoclopramide that is effective. If parkinsonian-like symptoms develop in a geriatric patient receiving metoclopramide, metoclopramide should generally be discontinued before initiating any specific anti-parkinsonian agents (see WARNINGS and DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION, For the Relief of Symptomatic Gastroesophageal Reflux).

The elderly may be at greater risk for tardive dyskinesia (see WARNINGS, Tardive Dyskinesia).

Sedation has been reported in metoclopramide users. Sedation may cause confusion and manifest as over-sedation in the elderly (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY; PRECAUTIONS, Information for Patients; and ADVERSE REACTIONS, CNS Effects).

Metoclopramide is known to be substantially excreted by the kidney, and the risk of toxic reactions to this drug may be greater in patients with impaired renal function (see **DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION**, Use in Patients with Renal or Hepatic Impairment).

For these reasons, dose selection for an elderly patient should be cautious, usually starting at the low end of the dosing range, reflecting the greater frequency of decreased renal function, concomitant disease, or other drug therapy in the elderly (see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION, For the Relief of Symptomatic Gastroesophageal Reflux and Use in Patients with Renal or Hepatic Impairment).

Other Special Populations

Patients with NADH-cytochrome b₅ reductase deficiency are at an increased risk of developing methemoglobinemia and/or sulfhemoglobinemia when metoclopramide is administered. In patients with G6PD deficiency who experience metoclopramide-induced methemoglobinemia, methylene blue treatment is not recommended (see **OVERDOSAGE**).

ADVERSE REACTIONS

In general, the incidence of adverse reactions correlates with the dose and duration of metoclopramide administration. The following reactions have been reported, although in most instances, data do not permit an estimate of frequency:

CNS Effects

Restlessness, drowsiness, fatigue, and lassitude occur in approximately 10% of patients receiving the most commonly prescribed dosage of 10 mg q.i.d. (see PRECAUTIONS). Insomnia, headache, confusion, dizziness, or mental depression with suicidal ideation (see WARNINGS) occur less frequently. The incidence of drowsiness is greater at higher doses. There are isolated reports of convulsive seizures without clearcut relationship to metoclopramide, Rarely, hallucinations have been reported.

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Extrapyramidal Reactions (EPS)

Acute dystonic reactions, the most common type of EPS associated with metoclopramide, occur in approximately 0.2% of patients (1 in 500) treated with 30 to 40 mg of metoclopramide per day. Symptoms include involuntary movements of limbs, facial grimacing, torticollis, oculogyric crisis, rhythmic protrusion of tongue, bulbar type of speech, trismus, opisthotonus (tetanus-like reactions), and, rarely, stridor and dyspnea possibly due to laryngospasm; ordinarily these symptoms are readily reversed by diphenhydramine (see WARNINGS).

Parkinsonian-like symptoms may include bradykinesia, tremor, cogwheel rigidity, mask-like facies (see WARNINGS).

Tardive dyskinesia most frequently is characterized by involuntary movements of the tongue, face, mouth, or jaw, and sometimes by involuntary movements of the trunk and/or extremities; movements may be choreoathetotic in appearance (see **WARNINGS**).

Motor restlessness (akathisia) may consist of feelings of anxiety, agitation, jitteriness, and insomnia, as well as inability to sit still, pacing, foot tapping. These symptoms may disappear spontaneously or respond to a reduction in dosage.

Neuroleptic Malignant Syndrome

Rare occurrences of neuroleptic malignant syndrome (NMS) have been reported. This potentially fatal syndrome is comprised of the symptom complex of hyperthermia, altered consciousness, muscular rigidity, and autonomic dysfunction (see WARNINGS).

Endocrine Disturbances

Galactorrhea, amenorrhea, gynecomastia, impotence secondary to hyperprolactinemia (see **PRECAUTIONS**). Fluid retention secondary to transient elevation of aldosterone (see **CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY**).

Cardiovascular

Hypotension, hypertension, supraventricular tachycardia, bradycardia, fluid retention, acute congestive heart failure, and possible AV block (see CONTRAINDICATIONS and PRECAUTIONS).

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Gastrointestinal

Nausea and bowel disturbances, primarily diarrhea.

Hepatic

Rarely, cases of hepatotoxicity, characterized by such findings as jaundice and altered liver function tests, when metoclopramide was administered with other drugs with known hepatotoxic potential.

Renal

Urinary frequency and incontinence.

Hematologic

A few cases of neutropenia, leukopenia, or agranulocytosis, generally without clearcut relationship to metoclopramide. Methemoglobinemia, in adults and especially with overdosage in neonates (see **OVERDOSAGE**). Sulfhemoglobinemia in adults.

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Allergic Reactions

A few cases of rash, urticaria, or bronchospasm, especially in patients with a history of asthma. Rarely, angioneurotic edema, including glossal or laryngeal edema.

Miscellaneous

Visual disturbances. Porphyria.

OVERDOSAGE

Symptoms of overdosage may include drowsiness, disorientation, and extrapyramidal reactions. Anticholinergic or antiparkinson drugs or antihistamines with anticholinergic properties may be helpful in controlling the extrapyramidal reactions. Symptoms are self-limiting and usually disappear within 24 hours.

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Hemodialysis removes relatively little metoclopramide, probably because of the small amount of the drug in blood relative to tissues. Similarly, continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis does not remove significant amounts of drug. It is unlikely that dosage would need to be adjusted to compensate for losses through dialysis. Dialysis is not likely to be an effective method of drug removal in overdose situations.

Unintentional overdose due to misadministration has been reported in infants and children with the use of metoclopramide oral solution. While there was no consistent pattern to the reports associated with these overdoses, events included seizures, extrapyramidal reactions, and lethargy.

Methemoglobinemia has occurred in premature and full-term neonates who were given overdoses of metoclopramide (1 to 4 mg/kg/day orally, intramuscularly or intravenously for 1 to 3 or more days), Methemoglobinemia can be reversed by the intravenous administration of methylene blue. However, methylene blue may cause hemolytic anemia in patients with G6PD deficiency, which may be fatal (see PRECAUTIONS, Other Special Populations).

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DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

Therapy with metoclopramide tablets should not exceed 12 weeks in duration.

For the Relief of Symptomatic Gastroesophageal Reflux

Administer from 10 mg to 15 mg of metoclopramide tablet, orally up to q.i.d. 30 minutes before each meal and at bedtime, depending upon symptoms being treated and clinical response (see **CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY** and **INDICATIONS AND USAGE**). If symptoms occur only intermittently or at specific times of the day, use of metoclopramide in single doses up to 20 mg prior to the provoking situation may be preferred rather than continuous treatment. Occasionally, patients (such as elderly patients) who are more sensitive to the therapeutic or adverse effects of metoclopramide will require only 5 mg per dose.

Experience with esophageal erosions and ulcerations is limited, but healing has thus far been documented in one controlled trial using q.i.d. therapy at 15 mg/dose, and this regimen should be used when lesions are present, so long as it is tolerated (see ADVERSE REACTIONS). Because of the poor correlation between symptoms and endoscopic appearance of the esophagus, therapy directed at esophageal lesions is best guided by endoscopic evaluation.

Therapy longer than 12 weeks has not been evaluated and cannot be recommended.

For the Relief of Symptoms Associated with Diabetic Gastroparesis (Diabetic Gastric Stasis)

Administer 10 mg of metoclopramide 30 minutes before each meal and at bedtime for two to eight weeks, depending upon response and the likelihood of continued well-being upon drug discontinuation.

The initial route of administration should be determined by the severity of the presenting symptoms. If only the earliest manifestations of diabetic gastric stasis are present, oral administration of metoclopramide may be initiated. However, if severe symptoms are present, therapy should begin with metoclopramide injection (consult labeling of the injection prior to initiating parenteral administration).

Administration of metoclopramide injection up to 10 days may be required before symptoms subside, at which time oral administration may be instituted. Since diabetic gastric stasis is frequently recurrent, metoclopramide therapy should be reinstituted at the earliest manifestation.

Use in Patients with Renal or Hepatic Impairment

Since metoclopramide is excreted principally through the kidneys, in those patients whose creatinine clearance is below 40 mL/min, therapy should be initiated at approximately one-half the recommended dosage. Depending upon clinical efficacy and safety considerations, the dosage may be increased or decreased as appropriate.

See OVERDOSAGE section for information regarding dialysis.

Metoclopramide undergoes minimal hepatic metabolism, except for simple conjugation. Its safe use has been described in patients with advanced liver disease whose renal function was normal.

HOW SUPPLIED

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Each white, round, unscored, debossed "BL/92", compressed metoclopramide tablet contains 5 mg metoclopramide (present as the hydrochloride). Available in bottles of 100 and 500.

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Dispense in a tight, light-resistant container.

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Kearns, GL, et al. J Pediatric Gastroenterol Nutr 7(6):823-829, 1988.

Exhibit B



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LABELING SUPPLEMENT

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ANDA #70-184
METOCLOPRAMIDE TABLETS USP, 10 mg
SUPPLEMENT – CHANGES BEING EFFECTED IN 0 DAYS

Dear Mr. Buehler:

We submit herewith a supplement to the above-referenced ANDA in response to the insert revision for the Reference Listed Drug, approved on July 26, 2004. The revised package insert provided herein will be implemented immediately.

Enclosed please find a disk containing our revised package insert, Rev. I 5/2005 in PDF and Word formats, along with a comparison to the previous version of the package insert in PDF format. In accord with the Agency's Submission Guideline dated November 8, 1991, we draw your attention to the essentially identical supplement to the following application: ANDA #72-801 Metoclopramide Tablets USP, 5 mg.

This information is submitted for your review and approval. If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (215) 591-3141 or via facsimile at (215) 591-8812.

Sincerely,

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SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT – CHANGES BEING EFFECTED IN 0 DAYS

ANDA #72-801
METOCLOPRAMIDE TABLETS USP, 5 mg
SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT - CHANGES BEING EFFECTED IN 0 DAYS

Dear Mr. Buehler:

We submit herewith a Special Supplement – Changes Being Effected in 0 days to the above-referenced Abbreviated New Drug Application. Specifically, Teva's drug product labeling has been revised in accord with the most current labeling for the reference listed drug (RLD), Reglan® Tablets (NDA 17-854, approved on June 30, 2009). Pursuant to Section 505(o)(4) of the FDCA, the RLD labeling was revised to include new safety information pertaining to the risk of tardive dyskinesia. In addition, the RLD labeling now contains an Agency-approved Medication Guide, which has become a part of the RLD's Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS).

Based on the aforementioned RLD updates, Teva's drug product labeling has been revised to include a revised package insert with new safety information and a new Medication Guide. Pursuant to 21 CFR 208.24(b), Teva Pharmaceuticals USA hereby states that a sufficient number of Medication Guides will be affixed to each bottle provided to the authorized dispensers such that the dispenser can provide a Medication Guide to each patient receiving the drug product. Specifically, 4 Medication Guides will be affixed to the 100 count bottle and 17 Medication Guides will be affixed to the 500 count bottle. Furthermore, in accord with 21 CFR 208.24(d), Teva Pharmaceuticals USA's container labeling has been revised to include a statement, in a prominent and conspicuous manner, instructing the authorized dispenser to provide a Medication Guide to each patient to whom the drug product is dispensed.

ANDA #72-801 METOCLOPRAMIDE TABLETS USP, 5 mg SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT - CHANGES BEING EFFECTED IN 0 DAYS Page 2 of 2

Enclosed herein on 1 CD-ROM, please find the following:

- Revised Final Print Package Insert (Rev. J 7/2009) in Word, PDF, and SPL formats, with a PDF comparison to Teva's previously submitted insert (Rev. I 5/2005)
- New Final Print Medication Guide (Iss. 7/2009) in Word, PDF, and SPL formats, with a PDF comparison to RLD's Agency-approved Medication Guide (Revised June 2009).
- Revised Container Labels for the 100 count (Rev. E 7/2009) and 500 count (Rev. F 7/2009) bottles in Word and PDF formats, with a PDF comparison to Teva's previously submitted container labels

The information is submitted for your review and approval. If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone at (215) 591-3141 or by facsimile at (215) 591-8812.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

APPLICATION TO MARKET A NEW DRUG, BIOLOGIC, OR AN ANTIBIOTIC DRUG FOR HUMAN USE

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I agree to update this application with new safety information about the product that may reasonably affect the statement of contraindications, warnings, precautions, or adverse reactions in the draft labeling. I agree to submit safety update reports as provided for by regulation or as requested by FDA. If this application is approved, I agree to comply with all applicable laws and regulations that apply to approved applications, including, but not limited to the following: 1. Good manufacturing practice regulations in 21 CFR Parts 210, 211 or applicable regulations, Parts 606, and/or 820. 2. Biological establishment standards in 21 CFR Part 600. 3. Labeling regulations in 21 CFR Parts 201, 606, 610, 660, and/or 809. 4. In the case of a prescription drug or biological product, prescription drug advertising regulations in 21 CFR Part 202. 5. Regulations on making changes in application in FD&C Act section 506A, 21 CFR 314.71, 314.72, 314.97, 314.99, and 601.12. 6. Regulations on Reports in 21 CFR 314.80, 314.81, 600.80, and 600.81. 7. Local, state and Federal environmental impact laws. If this application applies to a drug product that FDA has proposed for scheduling under the Controlled Substances Act, I agree not to market the product until the Drug Enforcement Administration makes a final scheduling decision.					
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SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT – CHANGES BEING EFFECTED IN 0 DAYS

ANDA #72-801 METOCLOPRAMIDE TABLETS USP, 5 mg SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT - CHANGES BEING EFFECTED IN 0 DAYS

Dear Mr. Buehler:

We submit herewith a Special Supplement – Changes Being Effected in 0 days to the above-referenced Abbreviated New Drug Application. Specifically, Teva's drug product labeling has been revised in accord with the most current labeling for the reference listed drug (RLD), Reglan® Tablets (NDA 17-854, approved on June 30, 2009). Pursuant to Section 505(o)(4) of the FDCA, the RLD labeling was revised to include new safety information pertaining to the risk of tardive dyskinesia. In addition, the RLD labeling now contains an Agency-approved Medication Guide, which has become a part of the RLD's Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS).

Based on the aforementioned RLD updates, Teva's drug product labeling has been revised to include a revised package insert with new safety information and a new Medication Guide. Pursuant to 21 CFR 208.24(b), Teva Pharmaceuticals USA hereby states that a sufficient number of Medication Guides will be affixed to each bottle provided to the authorized dispensers such that the dispenser can provide a Medication Guide to each patient receiving the drug product. Specifically, 4 Medication Guides will be affixed to the 100 count bottle and 17 Medication Guides will be affixed to the 500 count bottle. Furthermore, in accord with 21 CFR 208.24(d), Teva Pharmaceuticals USA's container labeling has been revised to include a statement, in a prominent and conspicuous manner, instructing the authorized dispenser to provide a Medication Guide to each patient to whom the drug product is dispensed.

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Enclosed herein on 1 CD-ROM, please find the following:

- Revised Final Print Package Insert (Rev. J 7/2009) in Word, PDF, and SPL formats, with a PDF comparison to Teva's previously submitted insert (Rev. I 5/2005)
- New Final Print Medication Guide (Iss. 7/2009) in Word, PDF, and SPL formats, with a PDF comparison to RLD's Agency-approved Medication Guide (Revised June 2009).
- Revised Container Labels for the 100 count (Rev. E 7/2009) and 500 count (Rev. F 7/2009) bottles in Word and PDF formats, with a PDF comparison to Teva's previously submitted container labels

The information is submitted for your review and approval. If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone at (215) 591-3141 or by facsimile at (215) 591-8812.

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METOCLOPRAMIDE TABLETS, USP

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Your chances for getting TD go up:

- the longer you take metoclopramide tablets, USP and the more metoclopramide tablets, USP you take. You should not take metoclopramide tablets, USP for more than 12 weeks.
 - if you are older, especially if you are a woman if you have diabetes

It is not possible for your doctor to know if you will get TD if you take metoclopramide tablets, USP.

Call your doctor right away if you get movements you can not stop or control, such as:

- lip smacking, chewing, or puckering up your mouth

- shaking of your arms and legs

See the section "What are the possible side effects of metoclopramide tablets, USP?" for more information about side effects.

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REGLAN (REG-lan) Tablets (metoclopramide tablets)

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Metoclopramide tablets, USP are a prescription medicine used: What are metoclopramide tablets, USP?

- in adults for 4 to 12 weeks to relieve hearthum symptoms with gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD) when certain other treatments do not work. Motoclopramide tablest, USP relieve daytime hearthum and hearthum after meals. They also help ulcers in the esophagus
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It is not known if metoclopramide tablets, USP are safe and work in children. Who should not take metoclopramide tablets, USP?

Do not take metoclopramide tablets, USP if you:

- have stomach or intestine problems that could get worse with metoclopramide tablets, USP, such as bleeding, blockage or a tear in the stomach or bowel wall
 - have an adrenal gland tumor called a pheochromocytoma
- are allergic to metoclopramide tablets, USP or sarything in them. See the end of this Medication odited for a list of ingevoletion is in metoclopramide tablets, USP or sarything the medication of odite for a list of ingevoletions in metoclopramide tablets, to odite for a list of ingevoletion is in memoral in lineas seem medicines for mental illness start are uncontrolled movements, such as medicines for mental illness and mediciness and medicines
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What should I tell my doctor before taking metoclopramide tablets, USP? Tell your doctor about all your medical conditions, including if you have:

- Parkinson's disease
- high blood pressure
- liver problems or heart failure. Metoclopramide tablets, USP may cause your body to hold kidney problems. Your doctor may start with a lower dose.
- diabetes. Your dose of insulin may need to be changed.
- breast cancer
- you are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. It is not known if metoclopramide will harm your unborn baby.
- you are breast-feeding. Metoclopramide can pass into breast milk and may harm your baby. Talk with your decor about the best way to feed your baby if you take metoclopramide tables. (19SP.

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Especially tell your doctor if you take:

- another medicine that contains metoclopramide, such as metoclopramide orally disintegrating tables, or mucclopramide oral symp tables, or mucclopramide oral symp
- a medicine for depression, especially a Monoamine Oxidase Inhibitor (MAOI)
- a medicine that can make you sleepy, such as anti-anxiety medicine, sleep medicines, and

If you are not sure if your medicine is one listed above, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

Know the medicines you take. Keep a list of them and show it to your doctor and pharmacist when you get a now medicine.

How should I take metoclopramide tablets, USP?

- Metoclopramide tablets, USP come as a tablet you take by mouth.
 Take metoclopramide tablets, USP exactly as your doctor tells you. Do not change your dose unless your doctor tells you.
 - You should not take metoclopramide tablets, USP for more than 12 weeks.
- If you take too many metoclopramide tablets, USP, call your doctor or Poison Control Center right away.

What should I avoid while taking metoclopramide tablets, USP?

- Do not drink alcohol while taking metoclopramide tablets, USP. Alcohol may make some side effects of metoclopramide tablets, USP worse, such as felling sileepy. In onc drive, work with machines, or do dangerous tasks until you know how metoclopramide tablets, USP affect you. Metoclopramide tablets, USP may cause sleepiness.

Metoclopramide tablets, USP can cause serious side effects, including: What are the possible side effects of metoclopramide tablets, USP?

Abnormal muscle movements. See "What is the most important information I need to know about metoclopramide tablets, USP?"

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- Uncontrolled spasms of your face and neck muscles, or muscles of your body, arms, and legs (dystonia). These muscle spasms can cause abnormal movements and body positions. These spasms usually start within the first 2 days of treatment. These spasms happen more often in children and adults under age 30.
- Depression, thoughts about suicide, and suicide. Some people who take metoclopramide tables, USP become depressed You may have thoughts about intuing or killing yourself. Some people who take metoclopramide tables, USP have ended their own lives (suicide). Neuroleptic Maligana Syndrome (NMS), NMS is a very rare but very serious condition that can happen with metoclopramide tablets, USP. NMS can cause death and must be treated into the hospital. Symptoms of NMS include: high fever, stiff muscles, problems thinking, very fast or uneven hearbest, and increased sweaking.
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Call your doctor and get medical help right away if you:

- have high fever, stiff muscles, problems thinking, very fast or uneven heartbeat, and increased sweating
- have muscle movements you cannot stop or control
 - have muscle movements that are new or unusual

Common side effects of metoclopramide tablets, USP include:

- feeling restless, sleepy, tired, dizzy, or exhausted

- trouble sleeping

You may have more side effects the longer you take metoclopramide tablets, USP and the more metoclopramide tablets, USP you take.

You may still have side effects after stopping metoclopramide tablets, USP. You may have symptoms from stopping (withdrawal) metoclopramide tablets, USP such as headsches, and resigned dazzy or nervous.

Tell your doctor about any side effects that bother you or do not go away. These are not all the possible side effects of metoclopramide tablets, USP.

80. Pall your doctor medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-80. Pall A-108.

- How should I store metoclopramide tablets, USP?
- Keep metoclopramide tablets, USP at room temperature between 68°F to 77°F (20°C to
- Keep metoclopramide tablets, USP in the bottle they come in. Keep the bottle closed tightly.

Keep metoclopramide tablets, USP and all medicines out of the reach of children.

Medicines are sometimes prescribed for purposes other than those listed in a Medication Guide. Do not use metodopramide tablets, USP for a condition for which they were not prescribed. Do not give metodopramide tablets, USP to other people, even if they have the same symptoms that you have. They may harm them. General information about metoclopramide tablets, USP

This Medication Guide summarizes the most important information about metoclopramide tables, USP If you would like theore information, talk with your dector. You can ask your doctor or pharmarist for information about metoclopramide abelts, USP that is written for health professionals. For more information, call 1-888-438-2872, MEDICAL AFPAIRS.

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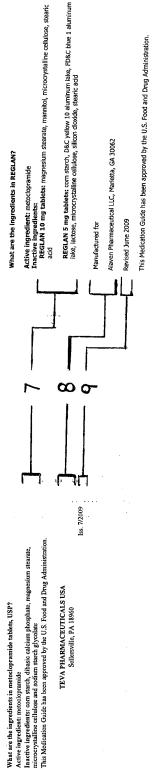
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METOCLOPRAMIDE TABLETS, USP

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Rx only

WARNING: TARDIVE DYSKINESIA

Treatment with metoclopramide can cause tardive dyskinesia, a serious movement disorder that is often irreversible. The risk of developing tardive dyskinesia increases with duration of treatment and total cumulative dose.

Metoclopramide therapy should be discontinued in patients who develop signs or symptoms of tardive dyskinesia. There is no known treatment for tardive dyskinesia. In some patients, symptoms may lessen or resolve after metoclopramide treatment is stopped.

Treatment with metoclopramide for longer than 12 weeks should be avoided in all but rare cases where therapeutic benefit is thought to outweigh the risk of developing tardive dyskinesia.

See WARNINGS.

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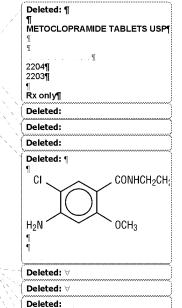
Metoclopramide hydrochloride is a white or practically white, crystalline, odorless or practically odorless powder, It is very soluble in water, freely soluble in alcohol, sparingly soluble in chloroform and practically insoluble in ether. Chemically, it is 4-amino-5-chloro-*N*-[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]-2-methoxy benzamide monohydrochloride monohydrate. Its structural formula is as follows:

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Each tablet for oral administration contains 5 mg or 10 mg metoclopramide (present as the hydrochloride).

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Metoclopramide increases the tone and amplitude of gastric (especially antral) contractions, relaxes the pyloric sphincter and the duodenal bulb, and increases peristalsis of the duodenum jejunum resulting in accelerated gastric emptying and intestinal transit. It increases the resting tone of the lower esophageal sphincter. It has little, if any, effect on the motility of the colon of	Deleted:
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The onset of pharmacological action of metoclopramide is 1 to 3 minutes following an intravenous dose, 10 to 15 minutes following intramuscular administration, and 30 to 60 minutes following an oral dose; pharmacological effects persist for 1 to 2 hours.	Deleted: ¶
Pharmacokinetics	
Metoclopramide is rapidly and well absorbed. Relative to an intravenous dose of 20 mg, the absolute oral bioavailability of metoclopramide is 80% \neq 15.5% as demonstrated in a crossove study of 18 subjects. Peak plasma concentrations occur at about 1 to 2 hr after a single oral dos. Similar time to peak is observed after individual doses at steady state.	
In a single dose study of 12 subjects, the area under the drug concentration-time curve increase linearly with doses from 20 to 100 mg. Peak concentrations increase linearly with dose; time to peak concentrations remains the same; whole body clearance is unchanged; and the elimination rate remains the same. The average elimination half-life in individuals with normal renal function is 5 to 6 hr. Linear kinetic processes adequately describe the absorption and elimination of metoclopramide.	O Deleted: ¶ Deleted:

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